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> South Texas Project Electric Generating Station Units 1 and 2 Docket Nos. STN 50-498, STN 50-499 Certification of Fitness-for-Duty Program Compliance

This letter is submitted in accordance with the requirements of 10CFR26.73(d) to certify that the South Texas Project Electric Generating Station (STPEGS) has implemented a fitnessfor-duty program that meets the requirements of 10CFR26. Houston Lighting & Power Company (HL&P) has implemented cut off levels more stringent than those imposed by NRC. A comparison of the cut off levels in use at STPEGS to those imposed by NRC is attached. This attachment is identical to that submitted to the NRC by HL&P on November 8, 1989, in accordance with 10CFR26 Appendix A Section 1.1(2).

The HL&P program currently in place provides for a review of positive preliminary tests by the medical review officer (MRO). The MRO would interview the individual and if he believed that the individual is impaired, fitness for duty is questionable or there is a threat to the safety of the plant, the individual, site personnel or the public, access to the plant would be suspended with pay until receipt of the confirmation test results. Review of this program element indicates that this process is not in full compliance with Part 26.24. Therefore, we have instructed the MRO not to take action based on preliminary tests and will revise our implementing procedure by January 16, 1990 to eliminate this feature.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr M A McBurnett at (512)972-8530 or myself at (713)228-7253.

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ATTACHMENT

Comparison of Drug Panel/Cut-Off Levels

Substance	10CFR26 App. A Cut-Off Levels		STPEGS Cut-Off Levels	
	Preliminary	Confirmation	Preliminary	Confirmation
Propoxyphene			300 ng/ml	300 ng/ml
Methyagualone	-		300 ng/ml	300 ng/ml
Amphetamines	1,000 ng/ml	500 ng/ml ⁽¹⁾ 500 ng/ml ⁽²⁾	300 ng/ml	300 ng/ml
Opiates	300 ng/ml	300 ng/ml ⁽³⁾ 300 ng/ml ⁽⁴⁾	300 ng/ml	200 ng/ml
Barbiturate	a prist - the pr	-	300 ng/ml	200 ng/ml
Cocaine	300 ng/ml	150 ng/ml	300 ng/ml	150 ng/ml
Phencyclidine	25 ng/ml	25 ng/ml	25 ng/ml	25 ng/ml
Cannabinoid	100 ng/ml	15 ng/ml	50 ng/ml	10 ng/ml
Benzodiazepines		-	300 ng/ml	100 ng/ml
Alcohol	.04% BAC	.04% BAC	.04% BAC	.04% BAC

(1) Amphetamine

(2) Methamphetamine

(3) Morphine

(4) Codeine

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In the Matter

Houston Lighting & Power Company, et al., Docket Nos. 50-498 50-499

South Texas Project Units 1 and 2

AFFIDAVIT

D. P. Hall being duly sworn, hereby deposes and says that he is Group Vice President, Nuclear of Houston Lighting & Power Company; that he is duly authorized to sign and file with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission the attached certification of the South Texas Project Electric Generating Station fitness-for-duty program; is familiar with the content thereof; and that the matters set forth therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

D. P. Hall Group Vice President, Nuclear

STATE OF TEXAS) COUNTY OF MATAGORDA)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for Matagorda County, Texas this 3 nd day of JANUARY , 1990



Notary Public in and for the State of Texas