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Houston Lighting & Power Company ATTN: William T. Cottle, Group Vice President, Nuclear P.O. Box 289 Wadsworth, Texas 77483

SUBJECT: MRU INSPECTION REPORT 50-498/93-50; 50-499/93-50

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. Mark A. Satorius and Wayne L. Sitre during the period October 12, 1993, through March 18, 1994. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your South Texas Project (STP) facility.

NRC Inspection Report 50-498/93-31; 50-499/93-31 documented the issues identified in the Diagnostic Evaluation Team (DET) Report, issued on June 10, 1993; the Confirmatory Action Letter, issued on February 5, 1993; the Confirmatory Action Letter supplements, issued on May 7 and October 15, 1993; items contained in your Operational Readiness Plan; and items in other documents that were considered necessary to address prior to the restart of either unit at STP.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a followup review of the DET report. Specifically, the review focused on the Engineering Support Section of the DET report and identified issues that were not considered sufficiently significant to require closure prior to the restart of either unit at STP. The NRC recognizes that many of these items have been included in your Business Plan and may require long-term corrective actions. Additionally, many of the items identified in the report were addressed and closed during Restart Issue inspections conducted from October 1993 to January 1994. These items are noted in the report.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

Sincerely,

X. Bill Beach, Director Division of Reactor Projects

Enclosure: NRC Inspection Report 50-498/93-50: 50-499/93-50

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