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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-498/94-20; 50-499/94-20

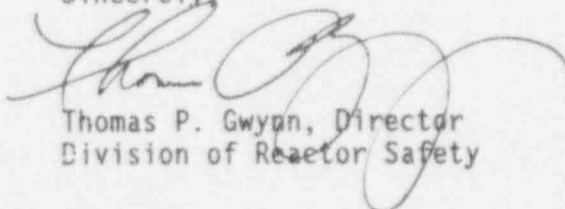
This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. J. I. Tapia, and the inspectors listed in the enclosed report, on May 9-13, 1994. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your South Texas Project Electric Generating Station, Unit 2, facility. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with you and those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a review of the actions that you have taken at Unit 2 to reduce the size of your station problem report, maintenance, and engineering backlogs and the success that your reductions have had in addressing issues affecting equipment operability and safe plant operation. The inspection focused on your management effectiveness in correcting problems in these areas. We were able to determine that you have been effective in addressing outstanding issues which had the potential for impacting equipment reliability and operator performance. As a result, Restart Issues 2, 3, 5, and 9, identified in NRC Inspection Report 50-498/93-31; 50-499/93-31, are considered resolved. The results of this inspection are documented on page 3, in the enclosed report.

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.

Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,



Thomas P. Gwynn, Director
Division of Reactor Safety

Enclosure: (see next page)

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Enclosure:

Appendix - NRC Inspection Report
50-498/94-20; 50-499/94-20 w/Attachment

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