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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-498/94-16; 50-499/94-16 (NOTICE OF VIOLATION)

This refers to the inspection conducted by Ms. P. A. Goldberg of this office and Mr. J. R. Rajan of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation on May 2-6, 1994. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your South Texas Project Electric Generating Station, Units 1 and 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. Additional information was discussed with Mr. D. Fisher and other staff members on May 11 and 13, 1994.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observation of activities in progress. The purpose of the inspection was to determine whether activities authorized by the license were conducted safely and in accordance with NRC requirements.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain licensed activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice). The violation is of concern because a station problem report was not initiated on initial identification of a deficiency as required by your corrective action program.

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

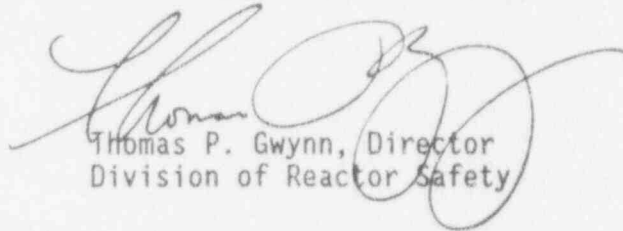
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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter and the enclosed Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, Pub. L. No. 96.511.

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

Enclosures:

1. Appendix A - Notice of Violation
2. Appendix B - NRC Inspection Report
50-498/94-16; 50-499/94-16
w/Attachment

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