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OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT
NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Licensee: Houston Lighting and Power Company (EA 91-055)
(South Texas Project)
Docket Nos. 50-498 and 50-499

Subject: PROPOSED IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTY - \$50,000

This is to inform the Commission that a Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty in the amount of \$50,000 will be issued on or about December 12, 1991 to Houston Lighting and Power Company. This action is based on two violations categorized in the aggregate at Severity Level III involving falsification of preventive maintenance records for safety-related valves. The base amount of the civil penalty was mitigated due to the licensee identifying the violations and taking prompt corrective actions; however, the penalty was escalated due to the multiple examples.

It should be noted that the licensee has not been specifically informed of the enforcement action. The schedule of issuance and notification is:

Mailing of Notice December 12, 1991
Telephone Notification of Licensee December 12, 1991

The State of Texas will be notified.

The licensee has thirty days from the date of the Notice in which to respond. Following NRC evaluation of the response, the civil penalty may be remitted, mitigated, or imposed by Order.

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