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Docket Nos. 50-498 and 50-499 License Nos. NPF-76 and NPF-80 EA 93-043

Houston Lighting & Power Company ATTN: William T. Cottle, Group Vice President, Nuclear Post Office Box 1700 Houston, Texas 77251

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF HL&P REPLY TO DEMAND FOR INFORMATION

This is in reference to your November 15, 1993 letter in which you responded to the NRC's Demand for Information dated September 29, 1993. The Demand for Information required Houston Lighting & Power Company (HL&P) to provide specific information related to apparent violations of 10 CFR 50.7. A separate Demand for Information was sent to an HL&P supervisor who was involved in the personnel actions related to the apparent violations.

Much of your reply relied upon information that was testified to in the ongoing Department of Labor (DOL) hearing. In light of the fact that this testimony is being actively considered by a DOL Administrative Law Judge (ALJ), we believe that it is appropriate to await the DOL ALJ's decision before resolving the NRC enforcement issue. The NRC will review the decision of the DOL ALJ along with the evidence developed by the NRC and the information provided by HL&P in determining whether a violation of 10 CFR 50.7 occurred.

In the transmittal letter to your reply to the Demand for Information, you noted that you have provided both a non-redacted version of your reply and a redacted version that has certain personal privacy-related information deleted. You requested that the non-redacted version be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790 and 9.17. As we indicated in our September 29, 1993 letter transmitting the Demand, we will delay placing a copy of the Demand and your reply in the NRC's Public Document Room until we have reached a decision on the need to take any enforcement action. At that time, we intend to release the Demand and your response, suitably redacted.

Sincerely,

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