

March 24, 1992

Docket Nos. 50-498  
and 50-499

Mr. Thomas J. Saporito, Jr.  
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Dear Mr. Saporito:

I am writing to acknowledge receiving your Petition filed with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) pursuant to 10 CFR Section 2.206 on February 10, 1992. The Petition presented your concerns regarding the Houston Lighting & Power Company's (HL&P's; the licensee's) South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2 (STP). You requested that the NRC institute a show cause proceeding pursuant to 10 CFR Section 2.202 and take a number of immediate and swift actions in the areas of physical security, maintenance activities, compliance with Technical Specifications and procedures, and training. The Petition has been referred to my Office for preparation of a response.

After receiving your Petition, an immediate evaluation of reactor safety at STP was performed and a special team inspection was initiated to evaluate your concerns including your request for swift action in the areas specified in the Petition. The NRC considered the information included with the Petition as well as that provided by you during your meeting with Region IV personnel on February 18, 1992. As a result of the evaluation and inspection, the NRC staff found that either the concerns could not be substantiated, do not involve nuclear safety, or do not raise safety concerns of such importance to warrant the immediate and swift actions that you requested. Therefore, your request for immediate and swift actions regarding the South Texas Project is denied.

As provided by 10 CFR Section 2.206, the NRC will take appropriate action regarding the specific issues raised in your Petition within a reasonable time. I have enclosed for your information a copy of the notice that is being filed with the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely,  
Original signed by  
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Thomas E. Murley, Director  
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