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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

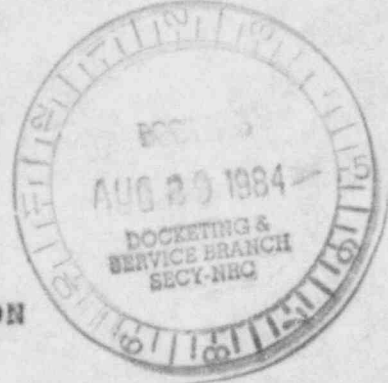
BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY & LICENSING BOARD

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In the Matter of:

TEXAS UTILITIES ELECTRIC )  
COMPANY, et al )  
(Comanche Peak Steam Electric )  
Station, Units 1 and 2) )  
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DOCKET NUMBER 50-445 01-2  
PROD. & UTIL. FAC. 50-446 01-2  
Docket Nos. 50-445  
50-446



DEPOSITION

OF

DAVID ETHRIDGE

DEPOSITION of DAVID ETHRIDGE, taken on the  
19th day of August, 1984, in the above styled and  
numbered cause at Glen Rose Motor Inn, located at  
Highway 67 & FM Road 201, in the City of Glen  
Rose, County of Somervell and State of Texas  
before Marigay Black a Certified Shorthand  
Reporter in and for the State of Texas.

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By: Mr. Bruce Downey

APPEARING FOR APPLICANTS

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EXHIBIT

MARKED

No exhibits marked.

1 MR. DOWNEY: This is the resumption  
2 of the deposition of David Ethridge. Mr.  
3 Ethridge's deposition was commenced as part of a  
4 panel deposition in which he and James Scarborough  
5 testified about certain events occurring on March  
6 8th and 9th, 1982.

7 I've asked Mr. Ethridge to appear here  
8 today to supplement his testimony in certain  
9 respects.

10 Mr. Ethridge, I remind you that you were  
11 previously sworn in this proceeding and that you  
12 remain under oath for this portion of your  
13 testimony.

14 Mr. Ethridge, in your earlier testimony,  
15 you testified that on the morning of March 9th,  
16 1982, you were on the rotating access platform  
17 rail waiting for QC inspectors to perform an  
18 inspection on certain work that you had done, is  
19 that correct?

20 A. Yes, sir.

21 Q. And you further testified that during  
22 the morning you did not see either Mr. Hamilton or  
23 Mr. Krolak come to the rail, is that correct?

24 A. Yes, sir.

25 Q. During the course of that morning did

1 you observe anyone from the safety department come  
2 to the rail?

3 A. Yes, sir.

4 Q. Do you recall who that was?

5 A. Safety supervisor.

6 Q. How do you know it was the safety  
7 supervisor?

8 A. I recognized him as one of the safety  
9 supervisors. There's two of them.

10 Q. And do you know who they were at the  
11 time?

12 A. Sam Hoggard and Charles Tedder.

13 Q. Do you recall which of these gentlemen  
14 came to the rail that morning?

15 A. No, I don't.

16 Q. What did the safety supervisor do when  
17 he arrived at the rail?

18 A. He walked on the rail, looked at the  
19 rail. He appeared to be inspecting the rail for  
20 safety reasons.

21 Q. And did he then return to the ground  
22 after he inspected the rail?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Did anyone from the QC supervisor ranks  
25 come to the rail that morning?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And do you recall which QC supervisors  
3 came up to the rail that morning?

4 A. It was Neill Britton, Harry Williams and  
5 another fellow I didn't know.

6 Q. Did you know Mike Foote at the time?

7 A. No.

8 Q. Do you know him now?

9 A. Yes, I know who he is.

10 Q. Do you recall a third person in that  
11 group as being Mike Foote?

12 A. I couldn't recall for sure.

13 Q. And these three gentlemen came up in a  
14 group, is that right?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And what did they do when they arrived  
17 at the rail?

18 A. They walked around the rail, looking at  
19 it, inspecting it, looking at our scaffolding.

20 Q. And did they walk completely around the  
21 circumference of the rail?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And after they had walked the  
24 circumference of the rail what did they do?

25 A. They went down to the floor.

1 Q. Did you have any discussion with the  
2 safety supervisor who came to the rail that  
3 morning?

4 A. No, sir.

5 Q. Did you have any conversation or  
6 discussion with Mr. Williams, Mr. Britton or the  
7 third gentleman who was with them?

8 A. No, sir.

9 MR. DOWNEY: No further questions  
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13 I, DAVID ETHRIDGE, have read the foregoing  
14 deposition and hereby affix my signature that same  
15 is true and correct, except as noted herein.  
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19 DAVID ETHRIDGE  
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21 SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this the  
22 \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1984.  
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I, David B. Jackson, RPR, Certified

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Shorthand Reporter in and for the State of Texas,

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do hereby certify that there came before me on the

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19th day of August, A. D., 1984, at the Glen Rose

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Motor Inn, Glen Rose, Texas, the following named

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person, to-wit: DAVID ETHRIDGE, who was by me duly

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sworn to testify the truth and nothing but the

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truth of his knowledge touching and concerning the

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matters in controversy in this cause; and that he

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was thereupon examined upon his oath and his

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examination reduced to writing under my

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supervision; same to be sworn to and subscribed by

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said witness before any Notary Public.

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I further certify that I am neither

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attorney or counsel for, nor related to or

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employed by, any of the parties to the action in

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which this deposition is taken, and further that I

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am not a relative or employee of any attorney or

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In witness whereof, I have hereunto set  
my hand and affixed my seal this 19th day of  
August, A.D., 1984.

License Expires:  
December 31, 1984  
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