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License Nos. NPF-76
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-498/92-21; 50-499/92-21

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. J. I. Tapia and other members of the NRC staff during the period June 7 through July 4, 1992. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

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 observations of activities in progress.

On the basis of the results of this inspection, one violation was identified. The violation involved the unauthorized use of overtime. A radiation protection technician worked greater than 70 hours in a 7-day period without Plant Manager approval, contrary to Technical Specifications and procedural requirements. This violation will not be subject to enforcement action because the licensee's efforts in identifying and correcting the violation meet the criteria specified in Section VII.B.2 of the Enforcement Policy. The program for control of overtime was determined to be adequate and the violation was considered to be an isolated incident.

During followup of a previously identified item, it is our understanding based on discussions between Mr. T. Westerman of this office and Mr. T. Jordan, General Manager, Nuclear Assurance, that handling of corrective actions in response to Engineering Assurance findings will be reviewed as part of your planned enhancements of the South Texas Project corrective action program. Please contact me if your understanding of this commitment differs from ours.

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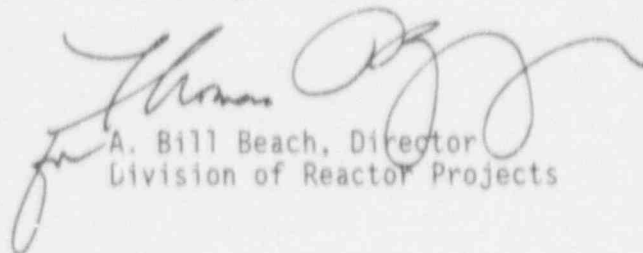
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In accordance with 10 CFR Part 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,



A. Bill Beach, Director
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Enclosures:

Appendix - NRC Inspection Report
50-498/92-21 w/attachment
50-499/92-21 w/attachment

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