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Docket Nos. 50-498 50-499 License Nos. NPF-76 NPF-80

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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-498/92-09; 50-499/92-09

Thank you for your letter of July 10, 1992, pertaining to your corrective measures in response to exercise weaknesses 498/9209-01, 499/9209-01; 498/9209-03, 499/9209-03; 498/9209-04, 499/9209-04; and 498/9209-05, 499/9209-05.

We have reviewed your reply and find it responsive to the weaknesses identified by the NRC Inspection Team during your 1992 exercise. We will review the implementation of your corrective actions during a future inspection to determine that full compliance has been achieved and will be maintained.

Sincerely,

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South Texas Project Units 1 and 2 Docket Nos. STN 50-498, STN 50-499 Response to Emergency Preparedness Exercise Weaknesses (498/9209-01, 03, 04, 05; 499/9209-01, 03, 04, 05)

Pursuant to 10CFR50, Appendix E.IV.F.5, Houston Lighting & Power Company (HL&P) submits the attached responses to weaknesses identified during the 1992 annual emergency response exercise at the South Texas Project (STP). The responses include a description of our corrective measures and the schedule for completing those actions.

If there are any questions, please contact either Mr. M. A. Covell at (512) 972-7479, or me at (512) 972-7205.

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South Texas Project Units 1 and 2

Response to Emergency Preparedness Exercise
Weaknesses (498/9209-01, 03, 04, 05; 499/9209-01, 03, 04, 05)

Weakness (498/9209-01; 499/9209-01)

The timeliness and accuracy of notifying offsite agencies was inadequate.

Response

- HL&P will obtain agreement from the State of Texas and Matagorda County that only those items specified in NUREG-0654 need be provided in the initial notification message. This will reduce preparation time and transmission time of the initial notification message. Implementation is expected by August 26, 1992.
- Training of all personnel involved in offsite notification message preparation and release will emphasize the need to closely review the offsite notification message for accuracy prior to release. This training will be completed by June 1, 1993.

Weakness (498/9209-03; 499/9209-03)

The protective action recommendation procedure was inadequate in that it requires obtaining concurrence from offsite authorities prior to making protective action recommendations and it lacks guidance as to what to do if this concurrence is not obtained.

Response

The procedure for making protective action recommendations will be revised to delete the requirement to obtain concurrence from offsite authorities prior to making the protection action recommendation. This action will be completed by August 26, 1992.

Weakness (498/9209-04; 499/9209-04)

Failure to properly coordinate evacuees allowed them to be exposed to radioactive hazards during site evacuation.

Attachment ST-HL-AE-4127 Page 2 of 2 South Texas Project Units 1 and 2 Response to Emergency Preparedness Exercise Weaknesses (498/9120-01 to 05; 499/9120-01 to 05) Response Procedures for assembly, accountability, and 1) evacuation will be revised to provide specific direction on controlling personnel movement during a radiological release. This action will be completed by September 16, 1992. All personnel responsible for coordinating personnel movement during a radiological release will be trained on their responsibilities. This action will be completed by June 1, 1993. Weakness (498/9209-05; 499/9209-05) Medical care in handling an injured person was inadequate. Response Current capabilities for handling medical emergencies 1) on a round-the-clock hasis will be reviewed. Based on this review, revised needs for emergency medical care will be established. This action will be completed by August 5, 1992. Based on the needs determined in 1), changes in 2) emergency medical care capabilities will be made as required. This action will be completed by February 25, 1993. Two emergency medical emergency drills will be 3) conducted for each shift annually. The drill schedule will be established by January 1, 1993. IR\92-167.001