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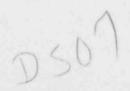
Dr. Walter H. Jordan Administrative Judge 881 W. Outer Drive Oak Ridge, TN 37830

In the Matter of
Texas Utilities Electric Company, et al.
(Comanche Peak Steam Electric Station, Unit 1 and 2)
Docket Nos. 50-445/2 and 50-446/2

Dear Administrative Judges:

On November 2, 1984, the Board issued a Memorandum Order requesting the Staff's advice as to whether all or parts of the Office of Investigations Reports (OI Reports) listed in Board Notification 84-149 are "potentially relevant and material to the licensing proceeding, including issues of intimidation and of management commitment to quality." November 2, 1984 Memorandum Order at 1.

In accordance with the Board's request, the Staff currently is reviewing the OI Reports in question. Although a review of each of the reports has not been completed, the Staff has reviewed OI Report No. Q4-83-026, dated October 18, 1983, as well as a February 7, 1984 supplement to that report. As the enclosed affidavit of Vincent S. Noonan indicates, these materials relate to possible deficiencies in Applicants' protective coatings program at Comanche Peak as identified in an August 8, 1983 Trip Report authored by Joseph J. Lipinsky (Lipinsky Memo) and the circumstances surrounding the preparation and dissemination of the Lipinsky Memo. Consequently, the Staff considers OI Report Q4-83-026 and its February 7, 1984 supplement relevant and material to matters currently being litigated before the Board. Accordingly, the Staff is making these materials available to the Board.



The Staff is continuing its review of the remaining OI Reports and will advise the Board soon as to when it can expect the Staff's views as to the relevance and materiality $\underline{\text{vel}}$ $\underline{\text{non}}$ of those reports to the issues in this proceeding.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

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