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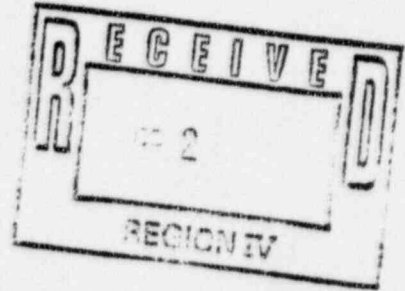
April 20, 1994

VIA OVERNIGHT AL

Mr. Joseph Callan
Regional Administrator
United States Nuclear Regulatory
Commission
Region IV
611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 400
Arlington, Texas 76011-8064

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Dear Mr. Callan:

The City of Austin Electric Utility would like the opportunity to observe all significant meetings, and hear all significant conference calls, that occur between NRC and Houston Lighting & Power Company concerning the South Texas Nuclear Project. By the letter attached, we have previously asked HL&P to inform us in advance of such meetings and calls, and to afford us such an opportunity. We have had no response to that letter. Accordingly, we are asking NRC Region IV to apprise us by telephone or by fax of these communications with HL&P. Also for this purpose, we would appreciate it if you would designate a contact person at NRC whom we may call periodically to receive such information.

We do not intend to be disruptive of your oversight activities or plant operations, nor do we intend to monitor every call and every meeting. Rather, we are most interested in learning about meetings and calls pertaining to NRC enforcement activities, inspections, authorizations, whistleblowers and regulatory directives, especially if they involve issues dealt with by NRC's Confirmatory Action Letters on STP or new emerging issues. We will play no role in such calls and meetings other than to listen.

Thanks you for your assistance.

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Sincerely,

John Moore

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Attachment

cc: William T. Cottle (HL&P)

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March 31, 1994

VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

Mr. William T. Cottle
Group Vice President, Nuclear
Houston Lighting & Power Company
P. O. Box 289
Wadsworth, Texas 77483

Dear Bill:

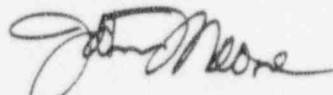
The City of Austin Electric Utility would like the opportunity to observe all significant meetings, and hear all significant conference calls, that occur between NRC and HL&P concerning STP. We are asking HL&P to inform us in advance of such meetings and calls, and to afford us such an opportunity.

We do not intend to be disruptive of plant operations or NRC oversight activities, nor do we intend to monitor every call and every meeting. Rather, we are most interested in learning about meetings and calls pertaining to NRC enforcement activities, whistleblowers, inspections, authorizations, and regulatory directives, especially if they involve issues dealt with by NRC in its recent Confirmatory Action Letters on STP or on new emerging issues.

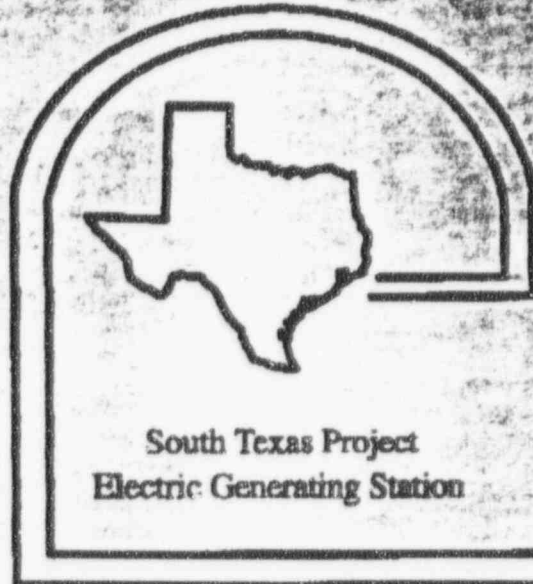
We also would like the opportunity to observe or listen to any significant INPO communications with HL&P and would like advance notice of scheduled meetings and calls with INPO. If you would prefer to designate a single person at HL&P to coordinate these notices, that would perhaps be helpful. Otherwise, please let us know how you would prefer to handle the mechanics of our getting notices and gaining access to meetings and calls we would like to observe.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,


John Moore

Nuclear Licensing Department Fax Coversheet

Date: 4/26/94TO: Mr. Joe Callan

TELEPHONE NO: _____

DEPARTMENT/COMPANY: Regional Administrator, NRC RIV

FAX NO: _____

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FROM: W.T. Cottle via J.J. ShoppardDEPARTMENT/COMPANY: STP / HLAP

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HOUSTON LIGHTING & POWER COMPANY

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W. T. COYLE

GROUP VICE PRESIDENT, NUCLEAR

APR 21 1984

Mr. John Moore
City of Austin
Post Office Box 1088
Austin, Texas 78767

Subject: South Texas Project
Your Letter to Me Dated March 31, 1984

Dear John,

The City of Austin Electric Utility's managers have been welcome at NRC proceedings since Austin became a South Texas Project (STP) Co-owner. As an NRC licensee, Austin has been on the NRC's standard distribution list for STP. The NRC has a separate list for each licensed location. It is used not only to distribute documents but also to convey generic information, including announcements of meetings and related NRC activities. J. C. Lanier/M. B. Lee are currently shown on the list at the "Attention" line for the City of Austin Electric Utility Department.

To supplement the direct notices from the NRC, Participant Services group at STP has endeavored to keep all the Co-owners alerted to significant NRC-related activities through a variety of means. These include the Station Key Event listing at the front of the monthly Station Report; the "Licensing" presentation in the body of the Station Report; agenda items, handouts, and discussions at the monthly Management Committee meetings; and frequent contacts with Co-owners' staff personnel who work on STP matters via telephone calls and facsimiles. Since 1990, our principal staff contact for the City of Austin Electric Utility has been Peter Golde.

Conference calls with the NRC are less frequent, more informal, and generally afford us less advance notice than NRC meetings. Nonetheless, we will implement a more formal system for relaying notice to Austin of significant NRC conference calls, particularly whenever a topic listed in the second paragraph of your letter is on the agenda. To avoid misunderstandings about what is "significant," we propose to use initially the criteria that any scheduled meeting or conference call in which the Group Vice President, Nuclear participates will be considered significant.

W. T. Curtis

Mr. John Moore

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While Participant Services has generally notified the Co-owners of INPO activities through the same mechanisms as for NRC activities, our interactions with INPO have been predominantly at the working-levels of our organization. This level of interaction has been INPO's preference as a more effective way to develop the information it needs to accomplish its mission. We will continue to invite an officer or general manager from each of the Co-owners to the formal INPO exits. In response to the request in your letter, we plan also to invite a City of Austin Electric Utility manager to observe or listen on the same basis as above, i.e., whenever the scheduled meeting or conference call with INPO is of the nature that warrants participation by the Group Vice President, Nuclear. We would ask that Austin comply with INPO's policies on releases of information which we will forward by separate cover.

Arnold Granger in Participant Services will act as a single point of contact to coordinate attendance by City of Austin Electric Utility employees at meetings and conference calls. However, because of Austin's current lawsuit, we ask that the presence of non-employees (other than individuals there solely to make a record of the conversation) be coordinated through our respective trial attorneys.

We trust these arrangements will facilitate access to the meetings and calls the City of Austin Electric Utility would like to observe.

Very truly yours,



WTC/sl

c: K. J. Fiedler
G. E. Vaughn
STP MCRC