NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555





Ms. Kristin Homme 2610-D Whitis Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Ms. Homme:

This is in response to your letter dated January 14, 1979 to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) requesting information about the time, place and procedures for participation in hearings concerning the Allens Creek and South Texas nuclear facilities. At this time, a schedule for holding hearings in either the Allens Creek or the South Texas proceeding has not been established. However, arrangements have been made for you to receive any future Commission notices indicating the time and place for hearings and prehearing conferences for both proceedings.

There are two methods by which a member of the public can participate in Commission proceedings. One method is by making a limited appearance pursuant to 10 CFR \$2.715 of the Commission Rules of Practice. A person making a limited appearance may make an oral or written statement of position on the issues in the proceeding. The presiding Board has broad discretion as to the receipt of limited appearance statements. In practice, the presiding officer usually inquires early on the first day of the hearing or the initial prehearing conference in the proceeding whether there are any individuals in attendance who wish to make limited appearance statements.

A second method of participation is as a party to the proceeding pursuant to 10 CFR \$2.714 of the Commission's regulations. As a party, an individual may participate through presentation of testimony, cross-examination of the other parties' witnesses, and the filing of motions and any required pleadings in the proceeding. In the event that you wish to participate as a party to either of these proceedings, you must file a petition for leave to intervene which satisfies the requirements of 10 CFR \$2.714 with the presiding Board in the proceeding. However, since the time to file petitions in each of these proceedings has past, any petition

submitted at this time must address the factors relating to late filed petitions specified in 10 CFR \$2.714(a)(1)(i)-(v) and \$2.714(d).

I see the commission's Rules of Practice for your into the last of further assistance, please feel free to direct the further inquiries you may have to me.

Sincerely,

Thomas F. Engelhardt

Deputy Executive Legal Director

Enclosure: Rules of Practice

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