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Updated Response to Unresolved Item (498/9210-01; 499/9210-01)
"Verification of Staff Augmentation Methods"

Reference: Correspondence From William J. Jump (HL&P) to NRC
Document Control Desk, dated July 3, 1992
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Pursuant to 10CFR50, Appendix E.IV.F.5, Houston Lighting & Power Company (HL&P) submits this follow-up to the correspondence referenced above. The subject unresolved item resulted from the NRC inspector being unable to assess the effectiveness of call-out methods, due to lack of records, used for staff augmentation during an emergency.

An unannounced off-hours staff augmentation drill was conducted during the week of July 31, 1992, using the pager and manual call-out notification method. Initial notifications were made at 8:00 PM on Tuesday, August 4, 1992. Emergency Response Organization personnel notified responded by questionnaire, noting their expected arrival time at their designated emergency response facility (ERF).

Results of the drill are as follows:

- Eleven of fourteen (78%) of the primary augmentation staff indicated they would have arrived at their ERF within 45 minutes of the emergency declaration.
- Fourteen of fourteen (100%) would have arrived within one hour of the emergency declaration.

In addition, eighteen supplementary staff indicated they would have arrived at their ERF within one hour.

Based upon these results, HL&P considers this drill a success.

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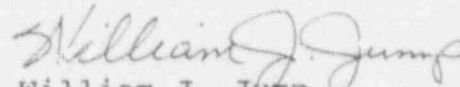
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A new notification process (pager-based) will be implemented on September 14, 1992. Staff augmentation drills (off-hours/unannounced) using this revised process will be conducted monthly using the questionnaire response method.

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