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MEMORANDUM FOR: Darrell G. Eisenhut, Director
Division of Licensing
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

THRU: Thomas M. Novak, Assistant Director
for Licensing
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George W. Knighton, Chief
Licensing Branch No. 3
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FROM: Annette Vietti, Project Manager
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SUBJECT: SYSTEMATIC ASSESSMENT OF LICENSEE PERFORMANCE (SALP) -
HOUSTON LIGHTING & POWER COMPANY, SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT,
UNITS 1 AND 2

Enclosed is the NRR performance evaluation for the South Texas Project,
Units 1 and 2.

Annette Vietti

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Enclosure:
As stated

cc: R. H. Vollmer
R. J. Mattson

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IV. Performance Analysis

The applicant's performance evaluation is based on a consideration of seven attributes as given in the NRC Manual Chapter. For all of the licensing actions considered in this evaluation, only four of the attributes were of significance. The composite rating is based on the following attributes:

- A. Management involvement
- B. Approach to resolution of technical issues
- C. Responsiveness to NRC initiatives
- F. Staffing

There was no NRR evaluation basis for D) Enforcement History, E) Reportable Events and G) Training, in the licensing review effort.

The evaluation was based on the following licensing activities:

- 1. Fire Protection
- 2. Elimination of Tornado Proof Roof on the Isolation Valve Cubicle
- 3. Pipe Break
- 4. Safe Shutdown
- 5. Engineering Assurance Program

A. Management Involvement in Assuring Quality

Overall rating for this attribute is Category 1. As mentioned previously, staff interactions with the applicant primarily involved information meetings that the applicant requested. From these meetings it was evident that corporate management was involved in the approaches to resolving technical issues from a safety standpoint. Management has shown significant interest in getting staff comments on HL&P proposals by initiating meetings on the licensing activities evaluated.

B. Approach to Resolution of Technical Issues from a Safety Standpoint

The overall rating for this criterion is Category 1. The applicant has demonstrated prior planning by their willingness to take the initiative in requesting meetings for staff input and by providing the necessary information for staff review. HL&P has, during this review period, increased activity in updating the Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR) through several amendments. HL&P has played an active role in the generic issue, leak before break, by making a plant specific submittal to the staff early in the staff's review of the generic issue. HL&P has initiated and formally submitted an Engineering Assurance Program

for review, described as an ongoing independent review of the South Texas Project design to confirm the adequacy of the engineering work performed by HL&P and contractors personnel. This program is currently under review by the staff.

C. Responsiveness to NRC Initiatives

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~~HL&P has been responsive to NRC requests for information and~~
~~formal submittals from the NRC in order for the staff to pursue~~
~~information.~~ *in meeting with formal submittals and*
Responsiveness to licensing activities 1 and 4 were considered not applicable at this time since HL&P is not scheduled to submit this information until mid 1984, after which, the staff will initiate their review. On day to day licensing actions, the licensee has been prompt and responsive to NRC inquiries.

D. Enforcement History

There is no important basis for an NRR evaluation of this attribute.

E. Reportable Events

There is no important basis for a NRR evaluation of this attribute at this time.

F. Staffing

Category 1 is assigned based on involvement with the applicant's staff at various meetings with the NRC. The staff appeared technically competent with the appropriate people involved in all the licensing activities evaluated.

G. Training

There is no important basis for a NRR evaluation of this attribute at this time.

V. Conclusion

Based on the evaluation of Houston Lighting & Power Company's performance for a limited number of activities in the functional area of licensing, an overall performance rating of Category 1 is determined.

Staff activity has been minimal because the current licensing review schedule reflects milestones based on a December 1986 fuel load data. Even on the selected activities, the staff contact and involvement has been very slight; therefore, the NRR evaluation is limited. However, for typical licensing activities such as meetings on various technical issues, the licensee's performance has been rated Category 1.

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REMARKS

Attached is the NRR input for the SALP report for Houston Lighting & Power Company, South Texas Project. This input is based upon input solicited from selected staff personnel who have had meetings with the applicant over the past year. SALP review with Region IV on the South Texas Project is scheduled for January 26, 1984. Due to this short time frame, we have forwarded a copy of this report to D.G. Eisenhut at the same time we have forwarded it to you for comment. Please note that for the December 1, 1982 to November 30, 1983 period, limited licensing review actions were carried out with the applicant. However, please review the evaluation and provide any comments you feel are appropriate by January 23, 1984. Reviewers contacted are listed on the attached evaluation matrix.

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I. INTRODUCTION

This report presents the results of an evaluation of the applicant, Houston Lighting & Power Company, in the functional area of licensing activities. It is intended to provide NRR's input to the SALP review process as described in NRC Manual Chapter 0516. The review covers the period December 1, 1982 to November 30, 1983.

The basic approach used for this evaluation was to first select a number of licensing issues which involved staff manpower. Comments were then solicited from the staff reviewers. These reviewers applied the evaluation criteria for the performance attributes based on their experience with the applicant or the applicant's products. Finally, this information was assembled in a matrix which allowed an overall evaluation of the applicant's performance.

For the December 1, 1982 to November 30, 1983 period, limited licensing review actions were carried out with the applicant. Staff interactions with the applicant primarily involved information meetings at the applicant's request. Therefore, the NRR staff has commented on these meetings and any submittals or telephone conferences resulting from the meetings.

II. Summary of Results

NRC Manual Chapter 0516 specifies that each functional area evaluated will be assigned a performance category based on a composite of a number of attributes. The single final rating should be tempered with judgement with respect to the significance of the individual elements.

Based on this approach, the performance of Houston Lighting & Power Company in the functional area - Licensing Activities - is rated Category 1.

III. Criteria

Evaluation criteria, as given in NRC Manual Chapter Appendix 0516, Table 1, were used for this evaluation.

IV. Performance Analysis

The applicant's performance evaluation is based on a consideration of seven attributes as given in the NRC Manual Chapter. For all of the licensing actions considered in this evaluation, only four of the attributes were of significance. The composite rating is based on the following attributes:

- A. Management involvement
- B. Approach to resolution of technical issues
- C. Responsiveness to NRC initiatives
- F. Staffing

There was no NRR evaluation basis for D) Enforcement History, E) Reportable Events and G) Training, in the licensing review effort.

The evaluation was based on the following licensing activities:

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A. Management Involvement in Assuring Quality

Overall rating for this attribute is Category 1. As mentioned previously, staff interactions with the applicant primarily involved information meetings that the applicant requested. From these meetings it was evident that corporate management was involved in the approaches to resolving technical issues from a safety standpoint. Management has shown significant interest in getting staff comments on HL&P proposals by initiating meetings on the licensing activities evaluated.

B. Approach to Resolution of Technical Issues from a Safety Standpoint

The overall rating for this criterion is Category 1. The applicant has demonstrated prior planning by their willingness to take the initiative in requesting meetings for staff input and by providing the necessary information for staff review. HL&P has, during this review period, increased activity in updating the Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR) through several amendments. HL&P has played an active role in the generic issue, leak before break, by making a plant specific submittal to the staff early in the staff's review of the generic issue. HL&P has initiated and formally submitted an Engineering Assurance Program

for review, described as an ongoing independent review of the South Texas Project design to confirm the adequacy of the engineering work performed by HL&P and contractors personnel. This program is currently under review by the staff.

C. Responsiveness to NRC Initiatives

HL&P interest in NRC approval of licensing activities 2, 3 and 5 warranted formal submittals from the applicant in order for the staff to pursue these activities. HL&P was prompt in responding to NRC requests for additional information. Responsiveness to licensing activities 1 and 4 were considered not applicable at this time since HL&P is not scheduled to submit this information until mid 1984, after which, the staff will initiate their review. On day to day licensing actions, the licensee has been prompt and responsive to NRC inquiries.

D. Enforcement History

There is no important basis for an NRR evaluation of this attribute.

E. Reportable Events

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For the December 1, 1982 to November 30, 1983 period, limited licensing review actions were carried out with the applicant. Staff interactions with applicant primarily involved information meetings at the applicant's request. Therefore, the NRR staff has commented on these meetings and any submittals or telephone conferences resulting from the meetings.

II. Summary of Results

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- 5. Engineering Assurance Program
- 6. Detailed Control Room Design Review (DCRDR)

A. Management Involvement in Assuring Quality

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B. Approach to Resolution of Technical Issues from a Safety Standpoint

The overall rating for this criterion is Category 1. The applicant has demonstrated prior planning by their willingness to take the initiative in requesting meetings for staff input and by providing the necessary information for staff review. HL&P has, during this review period, increased activity in updating the Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR) through several amendments. HL&P has played an active role in the generic issue, leak before break, by making a plant specific submittal to the staff early in the staff's review of the generic issue. HL&P has initiated and formally submitted an Engineering Assurance Program

for review, described as an ongoing independent review of the South Texas Project design to confirm the adequacy of the engineering work performed by HL&P and contractor personnel. This program is currently under review by the staff. At the In-Progress Audit of the DCRDR, HL&P demonstrated a clear understanding of the issues and presented technically sound and thorough approaches to resolving problems.

C. Responsiveness to NRC Initiatives

HL&P had taken the initiative in seeking NRC approval of licensing activities 2, 3 and 5 and therefore were prompt in making formal submittals and in responding to NRC requests for additional information. Responsiveness to licensing activities 1 and 4 were considered not applicable at this time since HL&P is not scheduled to submit this information until mid 1984, after which, the staff will initiate their review. The In-Progress Audit of the DCRDR indicated that the DCRDR is being conducted in a timely and thorough manner. On day to day licensing actions, the licensee has been prompt and responsive to NRC inquiries.

D. Enforcement History

The enforcement history during this evaluation period did not involve issues related to areas covered by licensing activities.

E. Reportable Events

The reportable events during this evaluation period did not involve issues related to areas covered by the licensing activities.

F. Staffing

Category 1 is assigned based on involvement with the applicant's staff at various meetings with the NRC. The licensee provided technically competent representatives with the appropriate support people in all the licensing activities evaluated.

G. Training

The licensing actions related to safety issues covered by NRR did not progress to the level to evaluate training.

V. Conclusion

Based on the evaluation of Houston Lighting & Power Company's performance for the limited number of activities in the functional area of licensing, an overall performance rating of Category 1 is determined.

Staff activity has been minimal because, of the early stage of the licensing review for a plant with a schedule based on a December 1986 fuel load date. Except for the In-Progress Audit of the DCRDR, staff contact and involvement with HL&P has been very slight, even on the licensing activities evaluated. Therefore, the NRR SALP evaluation is limited. However, for typical licensing activities such as meeting on various technical issues, the licensee's performance has been rated Category 1.

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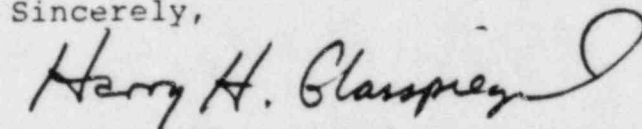
Dear Mr. Felton:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 and 10 C.F.R. Part 9, I hereby request copies of all documents in the files of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (including the files of Region IV) relating to the NRC's 1984 Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) Report for the South Texas Project. This request covers (but is not limited to) all documents relating to a meeting between the NRC Staff and the South Texas Project licensee, held on or about May 10, 1984, at which the SALP Report was discussed.

I hereby agree to pay the prescribed fees for locating and copying the records sought by this request.

Please call me if you have any questions about the scope of this request.

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