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MEMORANDUM FOR: File

THRU: WAC W. A. Crossman, Chief, Projects Section

FROM: H. S. Phillips, Resident Inspector, STP

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO BROWN & ROOT AUDIT #36

On 7/2/80 a licensee representative notified me advising there had been disagreements over responses provided to , a Brown & Root QA Auditor.

Two or three meetings were held between and B&R construction personnel to discuss audit responses which were considered inadequate. As a result of the discussions, perceived that he was being harassed.

met with Dr. Knox Broom, B&R Senior Vice President, to express his concerns. The responses are to be revised. was told he was free to express his concerns to the NRC at anytime.

It is my judgement that I should not become involved until HL&P/B&R management have exhausted all effort to resolve the matter. I will continue to track the matter.

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Results of Interview with Individual A as Recorded by NRC Investigator on

On [redacted], at 11:34 a.m. Individual A met with the NRC Invesitgator and NRC Inspector at the Ramada Inn adjacent to the [redacted]. At this time, Individual A read his statement and stated that his statement is true and correct, however, he decided not to sign the statement.

Individual A listed the following reasons that he had for not signing the statement:

1. That his identity would, or could, possibly be revealed.

2. That he does not trust the NRC because the Resident Reactor Inspector (RRI) at South Texas Project (STP) had known within hours of his submitted resignation on [redacted].

3. That the RRI at STP knew about his transfer in [redacted] before he found out about his own transfer.

4. That the RRI at STP was "in bed with HL&P and B&R."

5. That he may want to return to B&R at a later date and did not want the reputation of being "in bed" with the NRC.

6. That he has never signed a statement for NRC before.

7. That he had told the RRI at STP his allegations in confidence and told the RRI that if his concerns became valid, he would return to him (RRI) and since he (Individual A) did not return to the RRI, the RRI broke his confidence and therefore there was no reason to sign the statement.

When it was pointed out that the RRI must be apprised of all significant personnel changes and that the RRI was only doing his job in forwarding his concerns to the NRC Regional office, Individual A merely commented that the RRI violated his confidence. Individual A departed

End of Results of Interview with Individual A [redacted].

R. K. Herr 30 OCT 1980
R. K. Herr, Investigation Specialist

J. I. Tapia 10/3/80
J. I. Tapia, NRC Inspector