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The proposed Allens Creek plant is being built too close to populated areas. The Final Environmental Impact Statement projects much too small of a population to be living near the plant near the end of its projected life, Studies by Rice University and the City of Houston indicate that Katy, Brookshire, Sealy, Richmond, Rosenberg, and Sugarland areas will all have more than 25,000 people living in them by 2020. The exclusion and low population areas are much too small to allow evacuation of the people soon enough to prevent thousands of deaths. Recent transportation studies for the Houston area show that normal rush hour traffic causes it to take almost 2 hours to go from downtown to the edge of town. A recent study by the civil defense shows that the city of Galveston could not be evacuated within 12 hours even without the panic associated with a nuclear accident. The city of Houston Civil Defense has stated that it is so impossible to evacuate the city of Houston within the time necessary to avoid major loss of life that they do not even wish to discuss it because of the fear it would cause in the citizens if they knew the truth. Since the EIS and the MRC regulations assume effective evacuation, the permit to start construction should be denied until proof that the whole Houston area could be evacuated soon enough prevent loss of life from radiation from the "accident" at Allens Creek. It makes no sense to allow 1 billion dollars to be spent in construction before learning that it is impossible to evacuate the area safely.

> Respectfully submitted Steven Gilbert, Esc.

Please send me a copy of the final EIS and safety Report as well as Wash 1293 and Reg. Guide 1.70. I will submit more contentions later after getting the above information. 78/1/6~&&53