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Houston Lighting & Power Company ATTN: J. H. Goldberg, Group Vice President, Nuclear P. O. Box 1700 Houston, Texas 77001

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. J. A. F. Kelly of this office during the period September 21-25 and October 5-9, 1987, of activities authorized by NRC Operating License NPF-71 and Construction Permit CPPR-129 for the South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2, and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. Vaughn and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection included security program audit, records and reports, access control - personnel, physical barriers - vital area, alarm stations, and training and qualifications. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the NRC inspector. The inspection findings are documented in the enclosed inspection report.

During this inspection it was found that certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements. As discussed in our telephone conversation on January 6, 1988, with your staff, we have scheduled an enforcement conference in our office at 9:30 a.m. on January 19, 1988, to discuss your understanding of these apparent violations, the reasons for occurrence, and your corrective actions. We will also discuss the enforcement policy with you at that conference.

One unresolved item is identified in paragraph 4 of the enclosed inspection report.

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Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By A. B. Beach

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