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Mr. George W. Knighton Chief Environmental Project Branch 1 Division of Safety and Environmental Analysis United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Knighton:

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We have reviewed the Final Supplement to the Final Environmental Statement for the issuance of a construction permit for the proposed construction of the Allens Creek Nuclear Generating Station (ANGS), Unit No. 1, by the Houston Light and Power Company. The proposed site is located in the southern part of Austin County, Texas, immediately west of the Brazos River and about 72.4 km (45 miles) west of the center of Houston.

The Final Supplement identifies the project changes resulting from the deferral and subsequent rescheduling of Unit No. 1 and the cancellation of Unit No. 2 of the initially proposed two-unit station for the Allens Creek site. It also assesses the associated changes in the environmental impacts and adverse effects that were evaluated in the Final EIS.

We have determined that the specific issues and comments expressed by EPA on this siting statement have been satisfactorily answered. However, we continue to express evironmental reservations with regard to the generic issues (see "Comments on Generic Aspects," Allens Creek Nuclear Generating Station, May 1, 1978) applicable to all nuclear power plants.

Please keep us informed of your progress and forward any additional documentation to this office as related to the Allens Nuclear Generation Station.

Sincerely,

AdTene Harrison Regional Administrator (6A)

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