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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 Messrs. D. R. Carpenter, J. E. Bess, D. M. Hunnicutt, and other members of this office during the period February 1-29, 1988, 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. W. H. Kinsey and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection included: initial criticality activities, Unit 1; failure of No. 14 turbine driven auxiliary feedwater pump, Unit 1; control room evacuation drill; hydrostatic testing, Unit 2; monthly surveillance; engineered safety features system walkdown; operational safety; significant plant events, Unit 1; and allegation review. Within these areas, the inspecti consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the NRC inspectors. The inspection findings are documented in the enclosed inspection report.

During this inspection, no violations or deviations were identified.

We have also examined actions you have taken with regard to previously identified inspection findings. The status of these items is identified in paragraph 4 of the enclosed report.

The response requested by this letter is not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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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 L. J. Callan

L. J. Callan, Director Division of Reactor Projects

Enclosures: Appendix - NRC Inspection Report 50-498/88-10 50-499/88-10

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