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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Dr. J. B. Nicholas of this office during the period August 29 through September 2, 1988, of activities authorized by NRC Operating License NPF-76 for Unit 1 and Construction Permit CPPR-129 a.d for Unit 2 of the South Texas Project Electrical Generating Station, and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. J. T. Westermeier and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection on September 2, 1988.

Areas examined during the inspection included startup of Unit 1 radioactive waste treatment systems and preoperational water chemistry and radiochemistry programs of Unit 2. 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.

Within the scope of the 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 2 of the enclosed report.

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

Sincerely.

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L. J. Callan, Director Division of Reactor Projects

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