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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. J. E. Bess, D. L. Garrison, J. I. Tapia, and D. M. Hunnicutt of this office during the period August 1-31, 1988, of activities authorized by NRC Operating License NPF-76 and Construction Permit CPPR-129, for the South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2, and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. J. T. Westermeier and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection included plant status, licensee actions on previous inspection findings, review of licensee action on reported events (LERs), operational safety verification, ESF system walkdown, maintenance observations, surveillance observations, loose part monitoring system test - Unit 2, remote reactor shutdown test - Unit 2, control rod system test - Unit 2, fuel handling building inspection - Unit 2, QA program (test and experiments) review - Unit 2, design changes and modification - Unit 2, preoperational test witnessing - Unit 2, and allegation follow-up - Unit 2. Within these areas, the inspection 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.

Within the scope of the inspection, no violations or deviations were identified.

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

Sincerely,

*Original Signed By:*  
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Enclosure: (see next page)

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Appendix - NRC Inspection Report

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