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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-498/99-11; 50-499/99-11

Dear Mr. Cottle:

This refers to the inspection conducted on April 4 through May 15, 1999, at the South Texas Project Electric Generating Station, Units 1 and 2, facility. The enclosed report presents the results of this inspection.

During the 6-week period covered by this inspection, your conduct of activities at the South Texas Project facility was generally characterized by safety-conscious operations, sound angineering and maintenance practices, and careful radiological work controls.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR).

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

Sincerely

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