

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

REGION IV

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The Honorable Lloyd Bentsen 961 Federal Building Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Senator Bentsen:

This is in response to your October 29, 1986 letter to Carlton Kammerer regarding allegations made by an employee of the Bechtel Energy Corporation at the South Texas Project nuclear power plant.

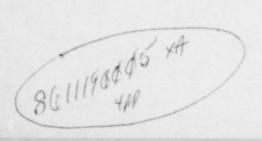
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We will advise Mr. Corder and your office of the outcome of these inquiries. If you require additional information in the interim, please contact Mr. Robert D. Martin, Regional Administrator, NRC, Region IV.

Sincerely,

Victor Stello, Jr. Executive Director for Operations



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