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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-498/97-13; 50-499/97-13

Dear Mr. Cottle:

An NRC inspection was conducted September 2-4, 1997, at your South Texas Project Electric Generating Station, Units 1 and 2 reactor facilities. The enclosed report presents the scope and results of that inspection.

The primary focus of the inspection was to review the operational status of your emergency preparedness program. Our review determined that your program was properly implemented.

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

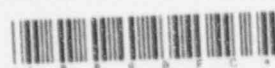
Sincerely,

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