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Houston Lighting & Power Company
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. C. E. Johnson and D. L. Garrison of this office during the period May 11 through July 3, 1987, of activities authorized by NRC Construction Permits CPPR-128 and CPPR-129 for the South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2, and to the discussion of our findings with J. T. Westermeier and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection included site tours, licensee action on previously reported items, licensee action on IE Notices, followup on 10 CFR Part 21 reports, pipe supports and restraints, and followup on allegations. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the NRC inspectors. The inspection findings are documented in the enclosed inspection report.

During this inspection, it was found that certain of your activities were in violation of NRC requirements. Consequently, you are required to respond to this violation, in writing, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Your response should be based on the specifics contained in the Notice of Violation enclosed with this letter.

We have also examined actions you have taken with regard to previously identified inspection findings. The status of these items is identified in paragraph 3 of the enclosed report.

The response directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice is not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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

Sincerely,

Original Signed for
M. E. HALL

J. E. Gagliardo, Chief
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Enclosures:

1. Appendix A - Notice of Violation
2. Appendix B - NRC Inspection Report
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cc w/enclosures:

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