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South Texas Project Electric Generating Station
Unit 2

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Unit 2 Common Alarms

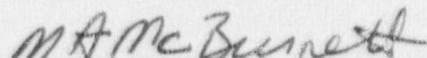
Reference: Control Room Design Review Status; M. A. McBurnett,
HL&P, Letter to the NRC; (ST-HL-AE-2793) dated
October 18, 1988.

The referenced letter committed to resolve identified Category B Human Engineering Discrepancies (HEDs) prior to Unit 2 commercial operation. This letter also identified the lack of annunciator windows for shared systems and equipment as category B HED (1099).

The current schedule for delivery of equipment required to install common alarms in the Unit 2 control room will delay implementation till after commercial operation.

The common systems in question consist of non-safety related systems which are critical to plant operation and are currently alarmed in the Unit 1 control room. The Unit 2 control room will be notified if an alarm is received on a common system. An evaluation has been performed and there is no potential safety impact associated with commercial operation of Unit 2. Therefore, HL&P has decided to install the alarms after commercial operation. In order to ensure proper installation and to complete necessary operator training, the common alarms will be operational prior to August 25, 1989.

If you have any questions on this matter please call Mr. A. W. Harrison at (512) 972-7298.



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