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INFORMATION REPORT ON FIRE BARRIER PENETRATION SEALS

REFERENCE: 1. Serial: RNP/87-676

Gentlemen:

On February 13, 1987, we provided information concerning certain 3-hour fire barrier penetration seals installed in the Auxiliary Building (Reference 1). We identified then our intent to inspect all penetration fire barriers protecting safety related areas in the Auxiliary Building within approximately six to nine months. The inspection was completed on December 21, 1987.

The fire barrier penetration seals protecting safety related areas in the Auxiliary Building were inspected to verify proper and adequate installation. Penetrations determined not to meet the inspection acceptance criteria were repaired and returned to service within the 7-day Limiting Condition for Operation allowed by Plant Technical Specification 3.14.7.2.c, with four exceptions. On each of the four occasions, the NRC Resident Inspector for H. B. Robinson Unit No. 2 was notified, consistent with the plan of action discussed in our February 13 letter.

Throughout the inspection period, the fire detection system was verified operable within one hour of declaring a penetration seal inoperable, in accordance with Plant Technical Specification 3.14.7.2.a. As additional compensatory action, the fire detection system was verified operable once per shift.

We are confident the 3-hour fire barrier penetration seals are properly installed to assure prevention of fire spread prior to detection and extinguishment. The Plant will continue to inspect fire barrier penetration seals in accordance with Plant Technical Specification 4.14.5.1.

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If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact my staff.

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