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COMANCHE PEAK STEAM ELECTRIC STATION
1981-83 2300 MW INSTALLATION
PIPE WALL THICKNESS
FILE NO: 10110

Dear Mr. Seidle:

On May 22, 1979, we verbally informed your Mr. R. G. Taylor that pipe wall thickness requirements established in the project piping specifications may not have been adequately conservative to meet ASME code stress requirements. We considered this "potentially" reportable under 10 CFR 50.55(e).

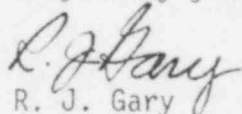
Preliminary meetings have been held to establish a minimum wall thickness examination program on this problem. The examination will be performed by Southwest Research Institute and will be coordinated by a Brown & Root Coordinating Group. Technical and QA support will be provided by Gibbs & Hill, TUSI and TUGCO.

The Brown & Root Coordinating Group's procedure for their activities has been issued for review and is currently under revision to address comments. The Coordinating Group is in the process of determining suspect weld joints. This activity is over 50% complete.

Southwest Research Institute is in the process of completing procedures specifically for this program. We expect to start on-site examination activities by September 20, 1979 and expect this activity to last approximately six (6) months.

If you have any further questions, please advise.

Very truly yours,


R. J. Gary

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