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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO NRC INSPECTION FINDINGS
SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT ELECTRIC GENERATING STATION
DOCKET NOS. 50-498/79-05 AND 50-499/79-05

Dear Mr. Seidle:

The following is Houston Lighting & Power Company's (HL&P) response to the items of noncompliance identified in IE Inspection Report Nos. 50-498/79-05 and 50-499/79-05 dated April 30, 1979.

Failure to Follow Procedures for Storage of Material

1. Corrective Action Taken

The immediate corrective action consisted of covering the Boron Recycle Evaporator with an interim structure that did meet the storage requirements. On May 4, 1979, the interim structure was replaced with a durable structure that also meets the storage requirements. Additionally, other areas where equipment is stored in place, which might be subjected to water, were inspected to ensure compliance to storage requirements.

2. Recurrence Control

The Storage and Maintenance Program is being revised and it will address storage requirements and inspection criteria. This program will assign responsibility to specific groups to ensure that storage requirements are met. This program will be implemented on June 1, 1979, and all action on this item of noncompliance will be complete on June 10, 1979.

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Failure to Follow Procedure for Preparation of
Nonconformance Reports (NCR)

1. Corrective Action Taken

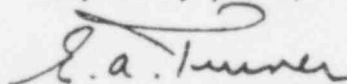
The noncomplying NCR has been revised and reissued giving a correct discussion of the condition when identified.

2. Recurrence Control

By memorandum, all quality control/quality assurance engineering personnel have been instructed that a proper NCR must include, in the description of the nonconforming condition, the sequence of events pertaining to the nonconformance, if it can be determined. Full compliance was achieved on this item May 9, 1979.

The completion date of all corrective action and recurrence control will be achieved June 10, 1979.

Very truly yours,



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