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Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Attention: Mr. B. J. Youngblood, Chief
Licensing Branch No. 1
Division of Licensing
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

SUBJECT: COMANCHE PEAK STEAM ELECTRIC STATION
DOCKET NOS. 50-445 AND 50-446
REACTOR VESSEL PRESERVICE INSPECTION

Dear Sir:

Texas Utilities letter TXX-3590 dated November 16, 1982, discussed the Texas Utilities position on the CPSES Unit 1 Reactor Vessel Inspection. Subsequent discussions with the NRC Staff and the issuance of the NRC internal memorandum from W. V. Johnson to T. H. Novak dated January 13, 1983, has caused us to modify this position.

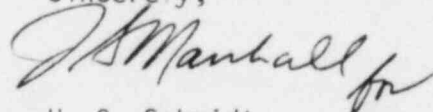
It is our intention to perform the Reactor Vessel Preservice Inspection in early April 1983. The inspection will consist of: (1) a standard ASME Code Section XI inspection; and (2) an additional inspection of the beltline region welds utilizing the Westinghouse shallow angle near surface technique.

The near surface defect examination will be conducted at a 20% DAC sensitivity level and will meet the requirements of Regulatory Guide 1.150 or the EPRI Ad Hoc Committee recommended changes as appropriate. For the purposes of this letter the beltline region welds are defined as: (1) circumferential weld no. 3 and (2) intersecting longitudinal welds nos. 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14.

Should it prove feasible, we also intend to perform an identical inspection of the Unit 2 Reactor Vessel upon completion of the Unit 1 vessel inspection.

Should you have any questions in this matter please contact me directly.

Sincerely,



H. C. Schmidt

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