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Mr. Roger Fortuna  
Assistant Director for Investigations  
Office of Inspector and Auditor  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
1200 Landow Building  
Washington, D.C. 20555

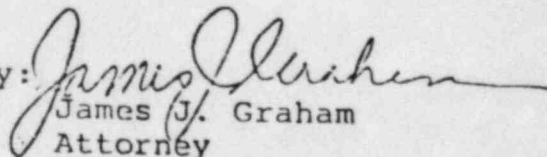
Dear Mr. Fortuna:

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter dated April 5, 1979, from Congressman Henry B. Gonzalez containing allegations of possible violations in connection with the construction of the South Texas Nuclear Project, Bay City, Texas. A copy of our response is also enclosed for your information.

In the event your office pursues an administrative inquiry in this matter, and evidence of possible violations of the Federal criminal statutes is developed, we would appreciate being advised.

Sincerely,

Richard W. Beckler  
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Criminal Division

By:   
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Enclosures

Honorable Henry B. Gonzalez  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Gonzalez:

Your letter of April 5, 1979, concerning allegations of possible fraudulent activity in connection with the construction of the South Texas Nuclear Project at Bay City, Texas, has been referred to the Criminal Division for response.

To insure the integrity of its operations, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission conducts investigations, and then, if the facts warrant, refers appropriate cases to the Department of Justice. I have taken the liberty of forwarding your letter to the Office of Inspector and Auditor of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for appropriate action. In the event an administrative inquiry is initiated by the Commission and evidence of possible Federal violations is developed, we would expect to be advised.

Your interest in writing and bringing this matter to our attention is appreciated.

✓cc: Rober Fortuna, NRC

Very truly yours,

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Assistant Attorney General  
Criminal Division

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Deputy Assistant Attorney General  
Criminal Division