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Mr. Richard C. DeYoung, Director
Office of Inspection and Enforcement
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. DeYoung:

As the corporate officer within TUEC/TUGCO who is directly responsible for the TUGCO Quality Assurance Program, I have been asked to answer your letter of May 29, 1984. Your letter addressed our need to actively control our vendor activities and specifically referenced the recent problems identified at the Bahnson Company, Winston-Salem facility.

While your comments regarding our responsibilities are appreciated, I want to emphasize that Texas Utilities has historically recognized the necessity for the protection of both the public health and safety and the fiscal investment associated with the construction and operation of Comanche Peak Steam Electric Station (CPSES). TUGCO has actively implemented a program for the pre-award selection of and continued auditing of vendors supplying safety related equipment to CPSES.

This program meets the commitments of our Quality Assurance Plan through the use of release inspections, when necessary, receipt inspections, and periodic evaluations and audits of vendors to assure their compliance with the requirements of our procurement documents and their Quality Assurance Program. TUGCO will maintain or increase our efforts in this area, as required, to provide the necessary level of assurance regarding the quality of the equipment purchased for CPSES.

With regard to the Bahnson Company, CPSES is unique in that Bahnson has fabricated all of their installed equipment on site. TUGCO has received no HVAC equipment from the Bahnson Company, Winston-Salem facility. A recent review of the results of our audits of the Bahnson CPSES site activities provided an indication that the Bahnson Quality Assurance Program, while not seriously flawed, was not being implemented at the level we desired. As a result of this review, I met with the President of the Bahnson Company to personally solicit his support in improving the situation. In addition, TUGCO QA has

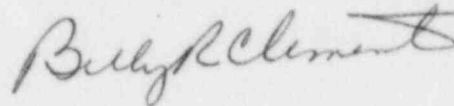
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assigned a full time inspector to monitor the Bahnson as-built verification activities associated with the completion of CPSES Unit 1. We will continue to assign the resources necessary to assess the implementation of the Bahnson Quality Assurance Program and to take any needed actions to obtain the level of improvement which we desire.

Please be assured that the management of TUEC/TUGCO is as determined as yourself to guarantee the implementation of adequate quality assurance programs by our safety related vendors and suppliers. If I can provide any further assistance in this regard, please do not hesitate in making the request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Billy R. Clement".

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