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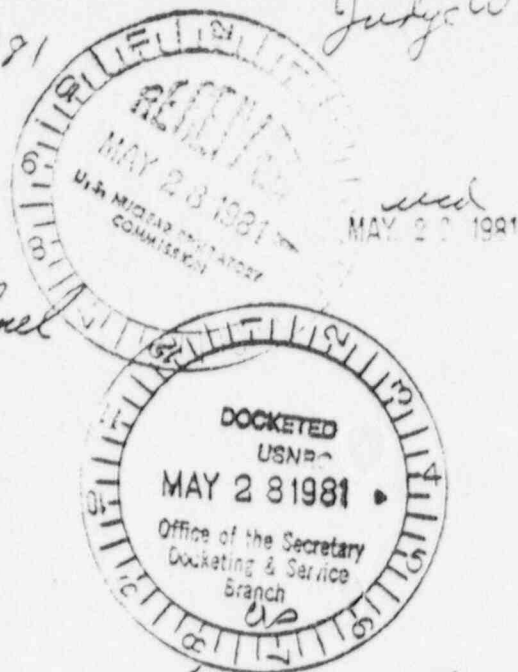
Judge Wolfe

Sheldon Wolfe, Chairman
Atomic Safety & Licensing Board Panel
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Wolfe,

This is to express my opposition to the proposed
Allen Creek Nuclear Generating Station and the South
Texas Nuclear Project near Houston. I do not believe
the \$1.5 billion projected cost of the ACNGS will
be met. Houston Light & Power customers are already
experiencing rate hikes due to construction works-
in-progress expenditures for ACNGS and can only
expect higher rates if the project is allowed to
continue. This is far from the allegedly cheaper
power consumers have been led to expect from
a commitment to nuclear power.

Further, I believe the problem of waste disposal
to be insoluble given present technology. I'm sure you



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we are aware of the problem of leakage which have already occurred in supposedly leakproof underground storage tanks in Washington state; the alternate proposals seem equally dubious, ranging to the desperate idea of shooting tons off of highly radioactive waste off the planet in rockets.

Nuclear technology would ultimately serve man better by concentrating on fusion power, or at least halting further construction of fission plants until the ~~to~~ problem of waste disposal and general operating safety can be solved, not just sidestepped.

Please realize that the Allen's Creek Nuclear Generating Station is already becoming economically indefensible and holds the potential for much damage to the very groups it is designed to help.

Sincerely yours,

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