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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
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MEMORANDUM FOR: James Taylor, Director  
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FROM: Vincent S. Noonan, Director  
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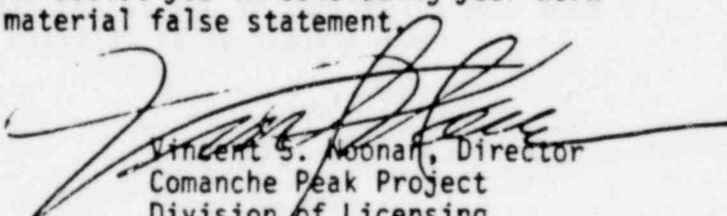
SUBJECT: POTENTIAL MATERIAL FALSE STATEMENT BY  
APPLICANTS ON U-BOLT SAMPLE

Reference: Memorandum from L.C. Shao to V.S. Noonan dated June 7, 1985  
subject: CPSES - Assessment of Significance of Applicants'  
U-bolt Sample

Recently, IE requested that the Comanche Peak staff provide a technical assessment of the significance of the applicant's U-bolt sample as discussed in the applicant's motion for summary disposition. Enclosed with this memorandum is a memorandum from L. C. Shao to me providing this assessment. The staff has concluded that while the applicant's sample was not random in the pure statistical use, it was reasonably representative. The applicant's characterization of their field survey as "random" and "representative" is not technically important from the standpoint of safety with respect to stability of the pipe supports and stresses and in the U-bolts and supported piping. The applicants have committed to conduct a 100 percent inspection of the U-bolts in the plant during which all U-bolts will be torqued to levels to be determined by applicant to be high enough to assure that the U-bolt assemblies will not rotate around the pipe nor walk axially along the pipe while transmitting their design loads.

I hope the above information will assist you in concluding your work regarding applicants potential material false statement.

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Enclosure: Memo, Shao to  
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