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FROM:	John A. Nakoski, Senior Project Manager, Section 1 Project Directorate IV and Decommissioning Division of Licensing Project Management Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation	/RA/		
SUBJECT:	SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT, UNITS 1 AND 2 - DRAFT IN PROVIDED BY LICENSEE ON APRIL 25, 26, AND 30, 2 RESOLUTION OF OPEN ITEMS FROM DRAFT SAFET (TAC NOS. MA6057 AND MA6058)	, AND 30, 2001, FOR		

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## APRIL 25, 2001

#### **REVISED DRAFT RESPONSE TO OPEN ITEM 3.5**

(See ADAMS Accession No. ML011200007)

## APRIL 26, 2001

#### **REVISED DRAFT RESPONSE TO OPEN ITEM 3.5**

(See ADAMS Accession No. ML011200010)

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## **REVISED DRAFT OPEN ITEM RESPONSES**

(See ADAMS Accession Nos. ML011220004, ML011220005, & ML011220006)

## MAY 2, 2001

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