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South Texas Project
Units 1 & 2
Docket Nos. STN 50-498, STN 50-499
Response to NRC Order For Compensatory Measures
Related to Access Authorization EA-02-0261

Reference: 1). Letter, S. J. Collins to W. T. Cottle, "Issuance of Order for Compensatory Measures Related to Access Authorization," January 7, 2003

In accordance with Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Order EA-02-0261 (the Order) dated January 7, 2003, (Reference 1), and 10 CFR 50.4, STP Nuclear Operating Company (STPNOC) hereby submits the information required by Condition C.1 of Section III of the Order via overnight delivery.

The NRC required that STPNOC submit a response addressing Conditions B.1, B.2 and C.1 in Section III of the Order within twenty (20) days of the date of the Order. Enclosure 1 to this letter contains STPNOC's response, which specifically delineates the actions taken or to be taken by STPNOC to comply with the Order. Only those actions specifically listed in Enclosure 1 to this letter are considered commitments to the requirements of the Order.

Condition C.1 of the Order required the submission of a schedule for achieving compliance with the requirements in Attachment 2 to the Order. Enclosure 1 to this letter lists the requirements and describes STPNOC's actions and schedule to comply. Enclosure 1 contains safeguards information and should be withheld from public disclosure in accordance with 10 CFR 73.21.

The Order was immediately effective and modifies STPNOC's licenses to operate South Texas Project Units 1 & 2 to require STPNOC to begin immediately to implement compensatory measures set forth in Attachment 2 to the Order. STPNOC will

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implement the requirements described in Attachment 2, as further explained in Enclosure 4 to the letter from Samuel J. Collins dated January 7, 2003 (Reference 1), instead of the associated Regulatory Guide 5.66 requirements. In accordance with the Order, STPNOC is implementing these actions as detailed in Enclosure 1.

Any questions regarding this letter, and the enclosure, should be directed to Mark McBurnett at (361) 972-7206.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on: 1-27-03



W. T. Cottle
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Enclosure: 1) STP Nuclear Operating Company Twenty Day Response to Order Related to Access Authorization (Safeguards Information)

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