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SUBJECT: SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT, UNITS 1 AND 2 - WITHDRAWAL OF AMENDMENT
REQUEST (TAC NOS. MB4059 AND MB4060)

Dear Mr. Sheppard:

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Since the amendment request has been withdrawn, the Commission has filed the enclosed Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License with the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely,

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Docket Nos. 50-498 and 50-499

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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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DOCKET NOS. 50-498 AND 50-499

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION FOR

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSES

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of STP Nuclear Operating Company (the licensee) to withdraw its February 14, 2002, and its supplement dated January 7, 2003, applications for proposed amendments to Facility Operating Licenses No. NPF-76 and No. NPF-80 for the South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2, located in Matagorda County, Texas.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the Federal Register on April 2, 2002, (67 FR 15629) . However, by letter dated May 22, 2003, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated February 14, 2002, and its supplement dated January 7, 2003, and the licensee's letter dated May 22, 2003, which withdrew the application for license amendment. Documents may be examined and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) located at One White Flint North, Public File Area 01 F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management Systems (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the internet at the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams/html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encountered problems in accessing the documents located

in ADAMS, should contact the NRC PDR Reference staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737 or by email to pdr@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 28th day of July 2003.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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