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**SUBJECT: SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT - NRC REGION IV DIVISION OF REACTOR
PROJECTS BRANCH CHIEF REASSIGNMENT**

Dear Mr. Sheppard:

Effective May 29, 2005, Mr. Tom R. Farnholtz will temporarily be the NRC's Chief, Project Branch A, Division of Reactor Projects, Region IV. (In August, Mr. Claude E. Johnson will receive permanent assignment to this position.) Mr. Farnholtz will assume all South Texas Project regulatory oversight and supervisory duties previously held by Mr. William D. Johnson. Mr. Farnholtz may be reached at 817/860-8243 or his e-mail address of trf@nrc.gov. All direct correspondence to Mr. Farnholtz should be sent to:

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