

January 29, 2008

MEMORANDUM TO: Greg Suber, Chief
Environmental Review Branch
Environmental Protection and Performance Assessment
Directorate
Division of Waste Management and Environmental Protection
Office of State Materials and Environmental Management
Programs

FROM: William Burton, Chief **/RA/**
Environmental Projects Branch 1
Division of Site and Environmental Reviews
Office of New Reactors

SUBJECT: TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE REQUEST - REVIEW OF
SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT, UNITS 3 AND 4

I am requesting the assistance of your staff in the review of the combined license application (COLA) for South Texas Project (STP), Units 3 and 4. Pacific Northwest National Laboratories (PNNL) is assisting NRO in the review of the application and preparation of the environmental impact statement (EIS). We are asking your staff to participate in an oversight role by reviewing PNNL's products in the area of decommissioning. Your staff's assistance is requested throughout six stages of the application review:

- Stage 1: Acceptance review of the ER – 40 hours
Scheduled Completion Date: (completed)
Associated TAC# RA0420
- Stage 2: Review of draft RAIs developed by PNNL and DSER staff – 16 hours
Scheduled Completion Date: 04/07/08
Associated TAC# RA2770
- Stage 3: Review of draft responses to scoping comments – 16 hours
Scheduled Completion Date: 04/22/08
Associated TAC# RA2758
- Stage 4: Review of draft DEIS section – 24 hours
Scheduled Completion Date: 09/17/08
Associated TAC# RA2785
- Stage 5: Review of draft responses to DEIS comments – 16 hours
Scheduled Completion Date: 05/26/09
Associated TAC# RA2810
- Stage 6: Review of draft FEIS section – 12 hours
Scheduled Completion Date: 08/17/09
Associated TAC# RA2819

At each stage, we request that your staff review the document or draft work product developed by PNNL in the area of decommissioning. Any questions, comments, or proposed revisions should be discussed with the PNNL reviewer, Ernest Antonio (509-375-3809), and, if necessary, with Richard Emch (301-415-1590). An estimate of the number of work-hours to be performed by your staff, scheduled completion date, and TAC#s for your staff to charge their time has been provided. The requested action for any stage of the review for this application can be closed by sending an email to the environmental project managers, Paul Kallan (PBK1@nrc.gov, 415-2809) and Cristina Guerrero (CXG3@nrc.gov, 415-2981).

We understand that Bruce Watson is the assigned reviewer for this project. If you have any questions, please contact the environmental project managers or Richard Emch.

Approved: _____ / _____
Greg Suber, Date

Docket Nos. 52-012
52-013

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