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South Texas Project
Units 3 and 4
Docket No. 52-012 and 52-013
NRC Review Schedule of Combined License Application

Reference:

Letter, D. B. Matthews to M. A. McBurnett, "Docketing of the Combined License Application (COL) for South Texas Project (STP), Units 3 and 4," dated November 29, 2007 (ML073320290)

The referenced letter accepted for docketing the South Texas Project Nuclear Operating Company (STPNOC) application for construction of two Advanced Boiling Water Reactors (ABWRs). The letter also noted that additional information was required to support the NRC's review of the application.

STPNOC is in the process of arranging for the vendor support necessary to further develop the design referenced in the application. At this time, STPNOC requests the NRC focus its review activities on the portions of the application that are site specific and generic. STPNOC requests that NRC proceed with its evaluation of Environmental Report sections (COLA Part 3) and preparation of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), including site visits, public meetings, and development of the draft EIS. STPNOC also requests that NRC hold its review of the Combined License Application (COLA) sections listed in the attachment.

STPNOC recognizes that our request will delay the NRC's review of design-related sections of the application, and may delay the eventual issuance of the STP Units 3 and 4 COL. STPNOC accepts responsibility for any delay. STPNOC appreciates NRC's accommodation in its review of our application.

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If there are any questions regarding the resolution of these issues, please contact Greg Gibson at (361) 972-4626.

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Attachment: as stated

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## **ATTACHMENT**

COLA Sections Requested to be Held in Review Abeyance (Note: Except as noted below, sections listed are for COLA Part 2, FSAR)

Chapter/Title	<u>Sections</u>
Tier 1 – Chapter 2 Certified Design Materials	2.2, 2.4, 2.11, 2.14, 2.15
Tier 2 – Chapter 1 Introduction	1.2, 1.6, 1A, 1AA, 1C
Tier 2 – Chapter 3 Design of Structures	3.1, 3.2, 3.5, 3.9, 3B, 3H, 3I, 3MA
Tier 2 – Chapter 4 Reactor	4.3, 4.4, 4.6, 4A, 4B, 4D
Tier 2 - Chapter 5 Reactor Coolant System	5.3, 5.4
Tier 2 – Chapter 6 Engineered Safety Features	6.2, 6.3, 6C
Tier 2 - Chapter 7 Instrumentation and Control	All
Tier 2 – Chapter 8 Electric Systems	8.1, 8.2, 8.3
Tier 2 - Chapter 9 Auxiliary Systems	9.2, 9.4, 9.5, 9A
Tier 2 - Chapter 10, Steam Power System	10.2
Tier 2 – Chapter 11 – Rad Waste	11.2, 11.3, 11.5
Tier 2 - Chapter 15 Accident Analysis	15A
Tier 2 - Chapter 16 Technical Specifications	16.3, 16.5
Tier 2 – Chapter 18 Human Factors	18A, 18B, 18F, 18H
Tier 2 – Chapter 19 Response to Severe Accidents	19A
COLA Part 7 – Chapter 2.0 Departures Requiring Prior NRC Approval (pertaining to above	
sections)	

COLA Part 7 - Chapter 3.0 Departures Not Requiring Prior NRC Approval (pertaining to

above sections)