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Dear Chief:

I am writing to oppose the addition of Units 3 and 4 to the South Texas Nuclear plant in Bay City, Texas.

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I was opposed to this plant when it was initially built starting in 1976 and opening in 1988. Nuclear power is not safer now than it was then. Nuclear power still requires Federal subsidies to make it competitive with other forms of power generation. The nuclear industry maintains only \$7 billion of insurance because of an exemption granted under the Price-Anderson Act. Sandia National Laboratory, working for the NRC, estimated that a meltdown would cost \$56-314 billion, not including the cost of losing the plant itself. There is still no ways to safely store nuclear waste for the millions of years during which it will remain radioactive.

Texas needs more non-poluting sources of electricity such as wind and solar. Utilities also should promote energy conservation as a way to avoid new construction of power plants.

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