

May 12, 2008

Mr. Gregory Gibson, Manager
Regulatory Affairs
STP Nuclear Operating Company
P. O. Box 289
Wadsworth, TX 77483

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION LETTER NO. 38 RELATED TO
THE SRP SECTION 02.04.11 FOR THE SOUTH TEXAS COMBINED LICENSE
APPLICATION

Dear Mr. Gibson:

By letter dated September 20, 2007, STP Nuclear Operating Company (STPNOC) submitted for approval a combined license application pursuant to 10 CFR Part 52. The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff is performing a detailed review of this application to enable the staff to reach a conclusion on the safety of the proposed application.

The NRC staff has identified that additional information is needed to continue portions of the review. The staff's request for additional information (RAI) is contained in the enclosure to this letter.

To support the review schedule, you are requested to respond within 45 days of the date of this letter. If changes are needed to the safety analysis report, the staff requests that the RAI response include the proposed wording changes.

Mr. Gregory Gibson

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If you have any questions or comments concerning this matter, you may contact me at 301-415-1146 or Raj.Anand@nrc.gov, or you may contact George Wunder at 301-415-1494 or George.Wunder@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Raj Anand, Project Manager
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Office of New Reactors

Docket Nos. 52-012
52-013

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Request for Additional Information

South Texas Project Units 3 and 4
South Texas Project Nuclear Operating Co.

Docket Nos. 52-012 and 52-013

SRP Section: 02.04.11 - Low Water Considerations

Application Section: 02.04S.11 - Low Water Considerations

QUESTION

02.04.11-1

Provide details to support the following statement in FSAR Section 2.4S.11.6, or delete it if it is not a relevant statement here: "The potential effects of all site-related proximity, seismic, and non-seismic information on the postulated worst-case low-flow scenario for the proposed plant site have been considered in establishing the design basis."