December 7, 2009

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

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION LETTER NO. 295 RELATED TO SRP SECTIONS 19.01 FOR THE SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT COMBINED LICENSE APPLICATION

Dear Mr. Head

By letter dated September 20, 2007, STP Nuclear Operating Company (STP) 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 **30** 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.

S. Head

If you have any questions or comments concerning this matter, I can be reached at 301-415-3104 or by e-mail at <u>Michael.Eudy@nrc.gov</u> or you may contact George Wunder at 301-415-1494 or by e-mail at <u>George.Wunder@nrc.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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South Texas Project Units 3 and 4 South Texas Project Nuclear Operating Co. Docket No. 52-012 and 52-013 SRP Section: 19.01 - Determining the Technical Adequacy of Probabilistic Risk Assessment Results for Risk-Informed Application Section: 19

QUESTIONS for PRA Licensing, Operations Support and Maintenance Branch 1 (AP1000/EPR Projects) (SPLA)

19.01-31

The staff has reviewed the applicant's response to RAI 19-18 and 19-20 and has additional questions. The shared fire water system design departure impacts the shutdown and full power hurricane risk assessment for the site. In accordance with 10CFR Part 52.79(d)(1), the staff requests that the applicant provide:

- (a) The shutdown and full power hurricane core damage frequency (CDF) and large early release frequency (LERF).
- (b) A description of the dominant sequences contributing to the shutdown and full power hurricane CDF and LERF estimates.
- (c) The list of SSCs that were identified as risk significant for the Reliability Assurance Program with the supporting Fussell-Vesely (FV) and Risk Achievement Worth (RAW) for component basic events, human error probabilities, and common cause failures.