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SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON
THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR THE COMANCHE
PEAK NUCLEAR POWER PLANT UNITS 3 AND 4 COMBINED LICENSE
APPLICATION REVIEW

Dear Ms. Boydston:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has prepared the enclosed Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS)(NUREG-1943) as part of its review of an application submitted by Luminant Generation Company LLC (Luminant) for combined licenses (COLs) for construction and operation of two new nuclear units at its Comanche Peak Nuclear Power Plant (CPNPP) site near Glen Rose, Texas. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineer (Corps), Fort Worth District is a cooperating agency in the DEIS. The purpose of cooperation among the NRC and Corps is to develop one environmental impact statement that serves the needs of the NRC's licensing decision process and the Corps' permit decision process. The DEIS includes an analysis of relevant environmental issues and documents the NRC staff's determination regarding the environmental impact at the proposed site from the construction and operation of two new nuclear units.

Please provide any information or comments on the enclosed DEIS that you consider appropriate under the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act of 1934, as amended, during the comment period which ends on October 27, 2010. The NRC may consider additional comments after the comment period ends, to the extent practicable. The DEIS is available from the Publicly Available Records component of the NRC Agency-wide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>, which provides access through the NRC Electronic Reading Room link. The accession numbers in ADAMS for the DEIS are ML102170030 and ML102170036. The DEIS can also be found at the NRC Comanche Peak Nuclear Power Plant COL-specific webpage at <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/new-reactors/col/comanche-peake.html>. Comments should be submitted either by mail to the Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, Mailstop TWB-05-B01M, Washington, DC 20555-0001 or by e-mail to Comanche.COLEIS@nrc.gov.

Please note that although the NRC and Corps are initiating a joint Section 7 consultation, with Texas Parks Wildlife Department (TPWD), the NRC and Corps have very different regulatory authorities. In the event that TPWD issues an Incidental Take Statement (ITS) please specify in the ITS which Terms and Conditions are imposed on which agency.

The NRC staff plans to hold two public meetings to discuss the analysis and results in the DEIS on Tuesday, September 21, 2010, at the Glen Rose Expo Center, 202 Bo Gibbs Blvd., Glen Rose, TX 76043. The first meeting will convene at 1:00 p.m. and will continue until 4:00 p.m., as necessary. The second meeting will convene at 7:00 p.m., with a repeat of the overview portions of the first meeting, and will continue until 10:00 p.m., as necessary. The meetings will be transcribed and will include: (1) a presentation of the contents of the DEIS and (2) the opportunity for interested government agencies, organizations, and individuals to provide comments on the DEIS. Additionally, the NRC and Corps staffs will host informal discussions one hour before the start of each meeting during which members of the public may meet and talk with NRC and Corps staff members informally. You and your staff are invited to attend.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Mr. Michael Willingham, Environmental Project Manager, by telephone at 301-415-3924 or by e-mail to Michael.Willingham@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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