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October 22, 2010

Mr. Michael H. Willingham
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Dear Mr. Willingham:

Pursuant to Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is currently reviewing your agency's Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for Combined Licenses for Comanche Peak Nuclear Power Plant Units 3 and 4 to be located in Hood and Somervell Counties, Texas.

We understand that the comment period on the DEIS ends on Tuesday, October 26, 2010. However, due to the complexity of the subject matter, and to assure consistency in the NEPA Section 309 and Section 404 Clean Water Act review process, we do not have sufficient time to complete a thorough, coordinated, and comprehensive review of the document and meet your deadline. Therefore, we request EPA be granted a (14) day extension of the comment period ending Tuesday, November 9, 2010.

We hope this delay has not inconvenienced you; however, the additional time is warranted to assure that the environmental assessment requirements are adequately satisfied. If you have any questions, please call Mike Jansky of my staff at 214-665-7451 or e-mail him at jansky.michael@epa.gov for further assistance.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rhonda Smith".

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