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December 7, 2010

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SUBJECT: SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT ELECTRIC GENERATING STATION,
UNITS 1 AND 2 - NRC SECURITY INSPECTION REPORT 05000498/2010402
AND 05000499/2010402

Dear Mr. Halpin:

On November 18, 2010, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a security baseline inspection at your South Texas Project Electric Generating Station, Units 1 and 2. The inspection covered one or more of the key attributes of the security cornerstone of the NRC's Reactor Oversight Process. The enclosed inspection report documents the inspection results, which were telephonically discussed on November 18, 2010, with Mr. C. Bowman, General Manager, Nuclear Safety Assurance, and other members of your staff.

The inspection examined activities conducted under your license as they relate to security and compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and with the conditions of your license. The inspectors reviewed selected procedures and records, observed activities, and interviewed personnel.

Based on the results of this inspection, no findings were identified.

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Sincerely,

/RA/

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