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Subject: Comments Concerning South Texas Project (STP)
Attachments: US NRC - STP April01'2011.pdf

Dear Bo M Pham:

We have been trying to submit these comments concerning the STP, Unit 1 and 2. We have been unsuccessful via your website. Attached you will find our comments and we hope you accept them. If you have any questions and/or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me, as I have been acting on Raymond Hernandez's behalf. I thank you on behalf of the Tap Pilam Coahuiltecan Nation.

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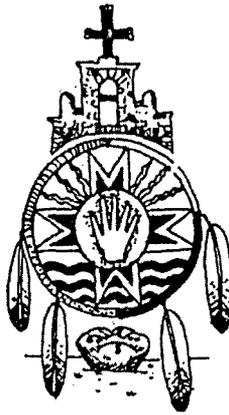
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Re: Docket ID NRC-2010-0305

To whom it may concern:

The Tap Pilam Coahuiltecan Nation is grateful for the opportunity to provide comments concerning the South Texas Project (STP), Units 1 and 2, license renewal application review.

We are concerned with the renewal of this license because of the project's location and proximity to historical French and Spanish colonial settlements. Our ancestral relatives were brought into these settlements, and we their descendants continue to have deep cultural roots and ties to the land.

More specifically, we are concerned that archeological data of a third site, as mentioned in Attachment D of the Applicant's Environmental Report (September 2010) is missing from the records. Before any consideration is given to the renewal of this license, we recommend that a new archeological investigation to this third site be conducted.

In a global context, a nuclear disaster similar to the one occurring in Japan would make our deep cultural roots and ties to the land inaccessible for an undetermined length of time. We want to be assured that adequate safeguards are in place in order to prevent a repeat of the tragedy in Japan. For example, in Japan there were no alternate sources of power to run the water pumps that would cool off the reactors which caused radiation to leak and contaminate the surrounding areas for miles. This would be disastrous not only to our cultural heritage, but to all the people of South Texas.

It is our intention to continue researching how our Nation's families and culture will be impacted by the renewal of the license. In conjunction with upcoming public meetings and publication, we intend to continue providing input and comments.

Once again we are grateful for your thoughtfulness of our cultural roots and ties to the land, including the abovementioned comments, before approving a license renewal to the STP Units 1 and 2.

Respectfully submitted,
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