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South Texas Project
Units 1 and 2
Docket Nos. STN-498, STN 50-499
Categorization of Risk-Informed Piping

To facilitate NRC review of STP Nuclear Operating Company submittals involving risk-based assessments, Table 3.3.1 of the South Texas Project Electric Generating Station (STPEGS) Inservice Inspection Program Plan is attached. This table lists the risk-informed category/item number designations of Class 1 and Class 2 piping. Application of these designators aids in classification of risk-informed piping. The attached table is from Revision 6 of the current program plan which became effective November 17, 2010. Categorization using these criteria was also applied during the second 10-year inspection interval ending September 24, 2010 (Unit 1) and October 18, 2010 (Unit 2). The table is provided for information.

There are no commitments in this letter.

If there are any questions, please contact either Mr. P. L. Walker at (361) 972-8392 or me at (361) 972-7904.

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Attachment: STPEGS Units 1 and 2 Inservice Inspection Program Plan, Cover Sheet and

Table 3.3.1, "Risk Informed Category/Item Number Designations," Revision 6

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INSERVICE INSPECTION PROGRAM PLAN

FOR THE SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT ELECTRIC GENERATING STATION UNITS 1 AND 2

Commercial Operation Dates Unit 1 – August 25, 1988 Unit 2 – June 19, 1989

STP NUCLEAR OPERATING COMPANY

Effective Date 11/17/2010

Table 3.3.1
Risk Informed Category/Item Number Designations

	R-	A-1			Class 1 Risk Informed Piping
	R-A-2 Class 2 Risk Informed Piping				Class 2 Risk Informed Piping
Risk	k Informed Item Numbers				
#	R	#.	##.	#	
1				<u>.</u>	Class 1
2					Class 2
	R				Risk-Informed
		1.			High Risk
		2.			Medium Risk
		3.			Low Risk
			11.		Thermal Fatigue
			11.		Thermal Stratification Cycling and Striping (TASCS)
			11.		Thermal Transient (TT)
			11.		TASCS-TT
			11.		TASCS-TT-PWSCC
			11.	1	TT-IGSCC
			11.		TT-PWSCC
			11.	7	TASCS-PWSCC
			12.		High Cycle Mechanical Fatigue
			13.		Erosion-Cavitation
	<u> </u>		14.		Crevice Corrosion Cracking
			15.		Primary Water Stress Corrosion Cracking(PWSCC)
			16.		IGSCC/TGSCC (Intergranular/Transgranular SCC)
			17.		Microbiologically Influenced Corrosion (MIC) or Pitting
			18.		Flow Accelerated Corrosion (FAC)
			19.		External Chloride (ECSCC)
			20.	1	No Degradation Mechanism

3.3.2 Examination Method

The column lists the examination method(s) required by Code Tables IWB-2500-1, IWC-2500-1, IWD-2500-1, IWE-2500-1, IWF-2500-1, and IWL-2500-1 or alternative examination method based on a referenced Relief Request or Code Case.