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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Attention: Document Control Desk One White Flint North 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, MD 20852-2738

South Texas Project
Units 1 and 2
Docket Nos. STN 50-498, STN 50-499
Emergency Response Data System (ERDS) Changes

Pursuant to the requirements of 10 CFR 50, Appendix E, Section VI.3, "Maintaining the Emergency Response Data System," STP Nuclear Operating Company (STPNOC) is submitting this letter to inform the NRC of changes to the STP Emergency Response Data System (ERDS) link software scheduled to be implemented on September 21, 2011.

These changes will involve a conversion from a dial-up modem based system to a more reliable internet based system using a plant information server and NRC supplied Virtual Private Network (VPN) appliance. The NRC ERDS Resource desk was notified of this change via email dated August 18, 2011.

During implementation of this change, the existing ERDS link will remain available and will not affect the plant's ability to activate the existing ERDS link if required.

This information is being provided for compliance with 10 CFR 50, Appendix E, Section VI.3.b, which requires notification 30 days prior to any hardware or software changes that could affect the transmission format or computer communication protocol to the ERDS.

There are no commitments in this letter.

If there are any questions regarding this notification, please contact either Robyn Savage at (361) 972-7438 or me at (361) 972-7298.

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