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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 & 2 Docket Nos. STN 50-498, STN 50-499 Response to NRC Request for Information Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.54(f) Regarding the Seismic Aspects of Recommendation 2.1 of the Near-Term Task Force Review of Insights from the Fukushima Dai-ichi Accident

Reference: Letter, Eric Leeds to E. D. Halpin, "Request for Information Pursuant to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations 50.54(f) Regarding Recommendations 2.1, 2.3, and 9.3, of the Near-Term Task Force Review of Insights from the Fukushima Dai-ichi Accident," dated March 12, 2012 (ML12053A340)

On March 12, 2012, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued the referenced letter to all power reactor licensees and holders of construction permits in active or deferred status. Enclosure 1 of the referenced letter contains specific Requested Actions, Requested Information, and Required Responses associated with Recommendation 2.1, Seismic Evaluations. This letter provides STP Nuclear Operating Company's (STPNOC) 90-day response to the referenced letter for South Texas Project Units 1 and 2 regarding the seismic aspects of Recommendation 2.1.

STPNOC cannot determine if it can meet the requested response dates for submitting the Seismic Hazard Evaluation and the Seismic Risk Evaluation (items 1 through 9 of the referenced letter) until the Screening, Prioritization and Implementation Details (SPID) guidance is endorsed by the NRC.

Within 60 days of NRC endorsement of the SPID guidance, STPNOC will submit: (1) its intention to follow the endorsed guidance, or (2) an alternative approach. In that submittal, STPNOC will state the intention to meet the dates requested in the referenced letter or provide an alternative schedule.

There are no commitments in this letter.

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If there are any questions regarding this letter, please contact Jim Morris at (361) 972-8652 or me at (361) 972-7867.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on: <u>6/5/2912</u>

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