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SUBJECT: REVISION OF SCHEDULE FOR THE CONDUCT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
REVIEW OF THE SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT LICENSE RENEWAL
APPLICATION (TAC NOS. ME5122, ME5123, ME4938, AND ME4939)

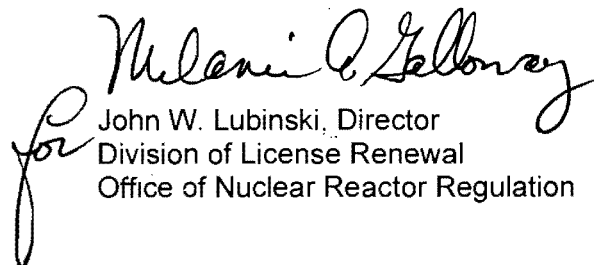
Dear Mr. Rencurrel:

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If you have any questions on the revised schedule, please contact Tam Tran by telephone at 301-415-3617 or by e-mail at tam.tran@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John W. Lubinski".
John W. Lubinski, Director
Division of License Renewal
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket Nos. 50-498 and 50-499

Enclosure:
As stated

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SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION
REVISION OF SCHEDULE

| Milestone | Schedule | Actual |
|---|-----------------|---------------|
| Receive license renewal application (LRA) | 10/26/10 | 10/28/10 |
| Publish <i>Federal Register</i> Notice (FRN) - LRA receipt and availability | 12/09/10 | 12/09/10 |
| Publish FRN -LRA acceptability, environmental scoping period, and opportunity for hearing | 01/13/11 | 01/13/11 |
| Publish FRN -intent to conduct environmental scoping | 01/31/11 | 01/31/11 |
| Public Meeting -license renewal process and environmental scoping | 03/02/11 | 03/02/11 |
| Deadline for filing hearing requests and petitions for intervention | 03/14/11 | 03/14/11 |
| Environmental scoping periods ends | 04/01/11 | 04/01/11 |
| Audit - scoping and screening methodology | 05/16/11 | 05/20/11 |
| Audit - aging management programs (AMPs) | 06/13/11 | 06/24/11 |
| Audit - environmental | 07/11/11 | 07/11/11 |
| Inspection - scoping, screening, and AMPs | 08/2011 | 08/07/11 |
| Issue draft supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS) | 12/05/12 | 12/5/12 |
| Public Meeting - draft SEIS | 01/15/13 | 01/15/13 |
| Issue safety evaluation report (SER) with open item(s) | TBD* | |
| End of comment period for the draft SEIS | 02/22/13 | |
| ACRS subcommittee meeting on SER with open item(s) | TBD | |
| Issue final SEIS | 07/13 | |
| Issue SER | TBD | |
| ACRS full committee meeting on SER | TBD | |
| NRR decision | TBD | |

* To be determined (TBD)

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John W. Lubinski, Director
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| DATE | 1/28/13 | 2/11/13 | | |

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Letter to D. Rencurrel from J. Lubinski dated February 11, 2013

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