

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT APPRAISAL
BY THE DIVISION OF LICENSING
SUPPORTING AMENDMENTS NO. 4 TO CPPR-126 AND CPPR-127
RELATING TO CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN
COMANCHE PEAK STEAM ELECTRIC STATION UNIT NOS. 1 AND 2
DOCKET NOS. 50-445 AND 50-446

Description of the Proposed Action

By a letter, dated May 28, 1981, Texas Utilities Generating Company (TUGCO) filed a request with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to reflect additional ownership interest in the Comanche Peak Steam Electric Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2 (the Station). The action proposed by the permittee is the issuance of amendments to Construction Permits CPPR-126 and CPPR-127 that would specify the Tex-La Electric Cooperative of Texas, Incorporated (Tex-La) as an additional co-owner of the Station. At this time, Station ownership rests with Dallas Power & Light Company (DP&L), Texas Power & Light Company (TP&L), and Texas Electric Service Company (TESCO), Texas Municipal Power Agency (TMPA) and the Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Incorporated (BEPC). The amendments would reduce the TPL interest to 31-1/2% and assign a 4-1/3% interest to Tex-La. TUGCO, the present holder of Construction Permits CPPR-126 and CPPR-127, will retain exclusive responsibility for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Station, and will act as agent for all owners in connection with all aspects of NRC licensing and regulation.

The staff's Final Environmental Statement (FES) relating to construction of the Station was published in June 1974. The Final Environmental Statement related to operation of the Station was issued in September 1981.

Environmental Impact of the Proposed Action

Tex-La is a generation and transmission cooperative which has been organized to engage in rural electrification for its members, Deep East Texas Electric Cooperative, Houston County Electric Cooperative, Jasper-Newton Electric Cooperative, Sam Houston Electric Cooperative, Rusk County Electric Cooperative, Cherokee County Electric Cooperative and Wood County Electric Cooperative.

In a letter, dated September 16, 1981, the Texas Utilities Generating Company stated, "there will be no addition or modified transmission facilities as a result of Tex-La Electric Cooperative of Texas, Inc. (Tex-La) becoming part owner of Comanche Peak and there will be no changes in plant design as a result of Tex-La becoming part owner of Comanche Peak."

Conclusion and Basis for Negative Declaration

On the basis of the foregoing information, the NRC concludes that there will be no environmental impacts resulting from the proposed action in addition to those impacts predicted and evaluated in the Commission's Final Environmental Statements issued in June 1974 and September 1981. Having reached this conclusion, the staff has further concluded that no environmental impact statement for the proposed action need be prepared, and that a negative declaration to this effect is appropriate.

Dated: September 30, 1981