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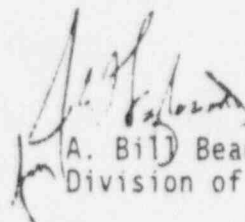
MEMORANDUM FOR: South Texas Project (STP) Restart Panel

FROM: A. Bill Beach, Director  
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SUBJECT: STP, UNIT 1, RESTART COVERAGE PLAN

This memorandum describes the Division of Reactor Projects' plans for providing augmented inspection coverage during the restart and power ascension of STP, Unit 1. Mode 2 entry is tentatively scheduled for February 10, 1994. Region IV will commence 24-hour coverage of plant activities on February 9, 1994, or about 1 day before Mode 2 entry. This augmented coverage will continue until Unit 1 is at or smoothly approaching the 90 percent power plateau. The estimated duration of 24-hour coverage is 16 days, but DRP will plan resources for a month to allow for possible delays during the restart process. Shift coverage will be provided by one STP resident inspector and two inspectors from other sites or the Regional office, standing 8-hour shifts.

The STP, Unit 1, Augmented Restart Coverage Action Plan is enclosed for your information.

  
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STP, Unit 1, Augmented Restart  
Coverage Action Plan

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## STP, UNIT 1, AUGMENTED RESTART COVERAGE ACTION PLAN

### A. Purpose:

The STP, Unit 1, startup organization has been established to augment the normal NRC Regional inspection activities in order to:

1. provide an increased NRC inspection oversight of STP, Unit 1, startup activities;
2. allow an independent safety assessment of licensee operations;
3. provide timely NRC staff response to operational problems or events that may occur during this period; and
4. provide a sound technical basis for determining the effectiveness of licensee management controls for safe facility operation.

### B. Action:

#### 1. Organization

The NRC augmented startup inspection organization consists of the Senior Resident Inspector (SRI), two STP resident inspectors, and two other inspectors from other sites or the Regional office.

#### 2. Positions and Responsibilities

- a. SRI - The SRI reports to the Chief, Project Section A and is responsible for the overall site inspection activities, including:
  - (1) Provides recommendations to the Section Chief concerning any additional support staff that may be required and any schedule changes;
  - (2) Supervises and coordinates support for the restart organization;
  - (3) Manages allegations in accordance with NRC policy and procedures;
  - (4) Provides an inspection overview of startup activities to evaluate whether results of previous STP programs have been adequately integrated to support plant startup;
  - (5) Maintains a weekly inspection plan for Unit 1;
  - (6) Assures continued inspection and assessment of Unit 2;
  - (7) Evaluates operational events for impact on continued plant startup;

- (8) Monitors and evaluates the licensee's self-assessments at the various plateaus. Participates in any related conference calls with NRC management; and
- (9) Coordinates shift inspection of activities and evolutions that occur over two or more shifts.

b. NRC Shift Inspector - responsibilities include:

- (1) Inspects and monitors assigned activities in the control room and plant as directed by the SRI and in accordance with the weekly inspection plan. The shift inspectors will spend their time: in the control room; in the plant on tours; accompanying operators on rounds; observing maintenance; observing testing (any postmodification testing, postmaintenance testing, or physics testing in Mode 2); and observing routine surveillance testing;
- (2) Provides inspection report input at the completion of the week;
- (3) Maintains the NRC shift log;
- (4) Ensures all items requiring followup are properly identified and logged in the shift log;
- (5) Advises the SRI of plant status, licensee schedule changes, and significant inspection results; and
- (6) Remains onsite during the entire shift period. If for some unforeseen reason an on duty shift inspector finds it necessary to leave the site, the SRI will be notified and a replacement inspector will be directed to the site to assume those duties.

3. Information Flow

Proper and effective communication of both routine and problem-related information obtained by the startup organization personnel is essential to assure appropriate NRC followup actions. Most inspection or monitoring activities conducted during the startup program will be scheduled based on the anticipated facility operations. Immediate safety concerns should be identified to the appropriate licensee representative. Details of these safety concerns along with any apparent or potential violations of regulatory requirements should be promptly reported to the SRI.

Events reported to the shift inspectors can be classified generally into two categories: those for which an ENS call was

made (10 CFR 50.72 reports which include emergency plan classified events) and those that are regulatory in nature or for information only.

Safety significant events, ENS call events, and items of potential public interest will be reported promptly to the SRI. The SRI will promptly report safety significant and ENS calls along with items of potential public interest events to the Section Chief.

An NRC staff briefing will be conducted each weekday at 7:30 a.m. to review both the recent and near-term licensee startup activities and facility operations. This meeting should be attended by the SRI and the off-going shift inspector. All reported events within the last 24 hours will be discussed. Telephone participants will normally include the Section Chief and the NRR Project Manager.

4. STP Unit 1 Startup Inspections

Beginning with the establishment of shift coverage, all startup inspection activities will be conducted in accordance with a weekly inspection plan. The inspection plan will identify specific items to be reviewed or observed by designated individuals based on the licensee's scheduled startup activities. The weekly inspection plan will be prepared by the SRI. The plan will be updated as needed based on anticipated startup operations and general plant operation.

5. Shift Inspection Coverage

The STP startup organization will be augmented by inspectors from other NRC offices, as necessary, to support startup inspection activities. These individuals will be assigned to observe the conduct of control room operations and licensee activities performed in other plant areas. Control room activities will be monitored using Inspection Module 71715, Sustained Control Room and Plant Observation.

6. Inspection Documentation

While assigned to shift coverage, each inspector will maintain the shift inspection log. The purpose of this log is to record inspector observations and all significant findings or potential safety concerns. The inspector is responsible for identifying in the shift log all items requiring followup and the log should indicate the disposition of the identified concerns. All significant information exchanges with the licensee will be documented in the log. Licensee documents listed in the log will be identified in sufficient detail (procedure or record number, title, revision, issue date, and completion date) for subsequent

reference in the inspection reports. Each inspector is responsible for providing complete inspection report input documentation before the end of the inspection period.