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Change QA-027 to the Operations Quality Assurance Plan

As required by the South Texas Project Operations Quality Assurance Plan, Chapter 2.0, Revision 9, Paragraph 5.14.1, the South Texas Project submits the attached change to the Operations Quality Assurance Plan (QA-027). This change is not a reduction in commitment of the Operations Quality Assurance Plan per 10CFR50.54(a) and no unreviewed safety questions are created as a result of the change. The changes identified in this revision are administrative in nature. These changes will be incorporated in the Operations Quality Assurance Plan in the next biennial update.

This change to the Operations Quality Assurance Plan reflects changes in four areas. These areas include:

- The addition of quality performance monitoring as methodology for independent overview (Chapters 1.0, 2.0, 15.0 and 18.0);
- Update to the Nuclear Group Organization to reflect the current organization structure of the (Chapter 1.0);
- Removal of Nuclear Plant Protection (formerly designated Nuclear Security Program) from the scope of the Operations Quality Assurance Plan (Chapter 2.0); (the South Texas Project Nuclear Plant Protection Program is prescribed in other licensing basis documents - the Physical Security Plan, Safeguards Contingency Plan and Training & Qualification Plan - and reference to it in the Operations Quality Assurance Plan is redundant); and

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- Deletion of Chapter 16.0, Nuclear Fuels Management, from the Operations Quality Assurance Plan. Chapter 16.0 originally referenced other sections of the Operations Quality Assurance Plan when it discussed Nuclear Fuels Management. The deletion of Nuclear Fuels Management from this chapter minimizes the redundancy of these references. All of the applicable elements of the Operations Quality Assurance Plan will continue to be applied to the Nuclear Fuels Management Program.

On March 28, 1996, the South Texas Project submitted a revision to the Operations Quality Assurance Plan which incorporated the methodology for implementation of the Graded Quality Assurance Program. That revision will be effective in August 1996. The changes described in this submittal have been incorporated into the Graded Quality Assurance Program Operations Quality Assurance Plan submittal.

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