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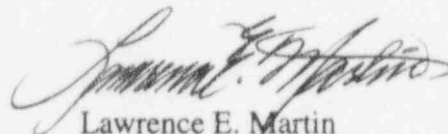
South Texas Project
Units 1 and 2
Docket Nos. STN 50-498, STN 50-499
Supplemental Information for Graded Quality Assurance Program Initiative

Reference: Letter from W. T. Cottle, to Nuclear Regulatory Commission Document Control Desk dated March 28, 1996 (ST-HL-AE-5321)

The South Texas Project recently submitted a revision to the Operations Quality Assurance Plan per the above referenced letter. That letter provided the methodology for implementation of the South Texas Project's Graded Quality Assurance Program. The purpose of this letter is to request that the above referenced letter be classified as a Cost Beneficial Licensing Action based on the following information:

The implementation of the South Texas Project Graded Quality Assurance program will allow the South Texas Project to allocate resources to higher safety-significant items and reduce resources spent on lesser safety-significant items. It will relax the documentation associated with procurement and receipt inspections process, and reductions in maintenance, engineering and independent oversight man-hours. This savings associated with the implementation of the South Texas Project Graded Quality Assurance Program will be at least \$100,000, the minimum required for consideration as a Cost Benefit Licensing Action.

If you should have any question concerning this matter, please call Mr. M. A. McBurnett at (512) 972-7206 or me at (512) 972-8686.



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