Docket No. 50-498 (2. 206)

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Dear Ms. Garde and Mr. Condit:

SUBJECT: RECEIPT OF PETITION FILED BY THE GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY PROJECT - SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT, UNIT 1

This letter is to acknowledge receipt of a Petition dated January 26, 1988, filed by the Government Accountability Project (GAP) requesting that the Commission delay voting on a full-power operating license for the South Texas Project (STP), Unit 1 until there has been a complete investigation of all allegations regarding the STP and public release of a report disposing of each allegation. GAP asserts as bases for this request that: (1) the results of the NRC's limited investigation into allegations were predetermined, in that the MRC inspection team had prepared a draft of its findings before leaving the site after its site inspection; (2) in an on-site inspection with one of the allegers, the alleger was not permitted to show the NRC team any of his allegations relating to Unit 1; (3) the NRC review was subjected to overwhelming scheduling pressures, resulting in disposition of most of the allegations without interviewing the allegers and in a failure to thoroughly address the 60 selected allegations that were the focus of the team's review; and (4) none of the allegations of wrongdoing have been investigated by the NRC.

The GAP Petition is being treated pursuant to 10 CFR 2.206 of the Commission's regulations. As provided by 10 CFR 2.206, action will be taken on your request within a reasonable time. I have enclosed for your information a copy of the otice that is being filed with the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

> Sincerely, 15/ Thomas E. Murley, Director Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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