



UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

May 6, 2024

LICENSEE: STP Nuclear Operating Company

FACILITY: South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2

SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF MARCH 25, 2024, PRESUBMITTAL TELECONFERENCE WITH STP NUCLEAR OPERATING COMPANY TO DISCUSS CHANGES TO THE QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN FOR SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT, UNITS 1 AND 2 (EPID L-2024-LRM-0027)

On March 25, 2024, an Observation public meeting was held between the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and representatives of STP Nuclear Operating Company (the licensee) via teleconference. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the licensee's planned submittal for South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2 (STP), concerning proposed changes to the licensee's operations quality assurance (QA) plan. The meeting notice and agenda, dated December 4, 2023, are available in the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) at Accession No. ML24066A031. Enclosed is a list of attendees at the meeting.

The licensee presented information (ML24080A129) discussing the planned submittal. The licensee's presentation detailed the proposed change and summarized the necessary reasons for the requested change. This meeting primarily consisted of licensee detailing its plans to adopt QA definitions contained in NQA-1-1983, "Condition Adverse to Quality," and Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) 16-07, "Improving the Effectiveness of Issue Resolution to Enhance Safety and Efficiency."

The NRC staff queried the licensee throughout the presentation to enhance its understanding of the planned submittal, including the following:

1. The NRC staff discussed with the licensee the differences that would be applied to a condition adverse to quality (CAQ) versus a significant condition adverse to quality (SCAQ). The licensee stated that CAQ items would apply to structures, systems, and components; however, items related to a serious effect on nuclear safety would be defined as SCAQ. The licensee would document both types of conditions in STP's corrective action program (CAP).
2. The NRC staff questioned how risk-significant non-safety related items would be treated with this proposed change to the QA plan. The licensee stated the classification of conditions not adverse to quality (CNAQ) would be applied to capture issues with these components in the CAP. The staff requested the licensee to include a discussion of this aspect in the submittal to facilitate its review.

No regulatory decisions were made as a result of this teleconference. No members of the public identified themselves on the teleconference. No Public Meeting Feedback forms were received.

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Docket Nos. 50-498 and 50-499

Enclosure:  
List of Attendees

cc: Listserv

LIST OF ATTENDEES

MARCH 25, 2024, PRE-APPLICATION TELECONFERENCE

WITH STP NUCLEAR OPERATING COMPANY

TO DISCUSS PROPOSED CHANGES

TO THE QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN FOR

SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT, UNITS 1 AND 2

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

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- Deanna Zhang NRR/DRO/IQVB/Senior Reactor Operations Engineer
- Kerri Kavanagh NRR/DRO/IQVB/Branch Chief

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- Drew Richards Regulatory Affairs Manager
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- Wendy Brost Licensing Supervisor
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- None

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