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**SUBJECT: SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT, UNITS 1 AND 2 - ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENTS
 RE: COLD OVERPRESSURE MITIGATION CURVE ASSOCIATED WITH
 REPLACEMENT STEAM GENERATORS (TAC NOS. MA3519 AND MA3520)**

Dear Mr. Cottle:

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The amendments revise Technical Specification 3/4.4.9.3 by revising the cold overpressure mitigation curve to accommodate the replacement steam generators and by adding two surveillances (for the centrifugal charging pumps and the emergency core cooling system accumulators) to ensure the operability of the cold overpressure mitigation system.

A copy of our related Safety Evaluation is enclosed. The Notice of Issuance will be included in the Commission's next biweekly *Federal Register* notice.

Sincerely,
 Original Signed By:
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Docket Nos. 50-498 and 50-499

- Enclosures: 1. Amendment No. 118 to NPF-76
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 3. Safety Evaluation

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