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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
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Mr. Bernard F. Barcena Jr., Chairman  
Lipan Apache Tribe of Texas  
P.O. Box 5218  
McAllen, TX 78502

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE FINAL SUPPLEMENTAL  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR LICENSE RENEWAL OF  
SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT, UNITS 1 AND 2

Dear Chairman Barcena:

Please find enclosed a copy of the final "NUREG-1437, Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants, Supplement 48, Regarding South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2." The final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) is being issued as part of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) process to decide whether to issue renewed operating licenses to STP Nuclear Operating Company (STPNOC) for South Texas Project Units 1 and 2 (STP). In the final SEIS, the NRC staff determined that the adverse environmental impacts of renewed licenses for STP are not great enough to deny this option for energy planning decisionmakers. In the context of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, NRC staff determined that no historic properties will be affected by the proposed action (license renewal). The final environmental impact statement, will accompany the final Safety Evaluation Report to be considered in the Commission's license renewal decision making process.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Emily Larson, Social Scientist, at 301-415-1151 or by e-mail at [Emily.Larson@nrc.gov](mailto:Emily.Larson@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. P. Kleenick for", written over the typed name of David J. Wrona.

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Guidance Update Branch  
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket Nos. 50-498 and 50-499

Enclosure:  
NUREG-1437, "Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear  
Plants, Supplement 48"

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