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SUBJECT: COMANCHE PEAK STEAM ELECTRIC STATION (CPSES)
DOCKET NOS. 50-445 AND 50-446
IMPLEMENTATION OF REVISED 10CFR50.59

Gentlemen:

The effective date for the revised 10 CFR 50.59 rule was established in a December 13, 2000, Federal Register notice (65 FR 77773) as March 13, 2001. As discussed in Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2001-03 dated January 23, 2001, the NRC has stated that to permit an orderly transition to the revised rule, licensees may implement the rule later than this date. Although an exemption is not necessary, the RIS suggested that a licensee may want to communicate its implementation plan to the NRC. Comanche Peak Steam Electric Station will begin a refueling outage on March 24, 2001, and does not want to transition during a refueling outage since this activity already places significant demands on the plant staff and would not be in the best interest of safety. TXU Electric intends to implement the revised requirements of 10 CFR 50.59 on May 30, 2001. Until that time, we will continue to implement our existing 10 CFR 50.59 review processes.

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This communication contains no new licensing basis commitments regarding CPSES Units 1 and 2.

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