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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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In the Matter of
Nuclear Innovation North America LLC
(South Texas Project, Units 3 & 4)
Docket Nos. 52-012 and 52-013

Dear Administrative Judges:

Pursuant to the Revised Scheduling Order of October 3, 2012, the NRC staff is reporting on its proposed schedule for issuing its safety and environmental documents and the projected dates for issuance of ACRS reports on the application. The final environmental impact statement was issued in February 2011. Since the last status report update, submitted on February 1, 2013, the NRC staff's schedule for the completion of its safety evaluation report (SER) has not changed. The NRC staff's estimated dates for completing its safety review are:

Advanced SER with no Open Items Issued (Phase 4)	July 30, 2014
ACRS Review of SER with no Open Items Complete (Phase 5)	February 28, 2015
Final SER Issued (Phase 6)	April 30, 2015

These dates assume the resolution of issues related to foreign ownership, control, or domination (FOCD) and financial qualification before the Phase 4 milestone July 30, 2014.

Further, pursuant to the Order (Monthly Status Updates Regarding FOCD Review) of July 18, 2012, the NRC staff reports that it intends to issue its determination on FOCD and the basis for such determination by April 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the NRC Staff letter dated March 1, 2013, reporting on the proposed schedule for completing the NRC staff's review and reaching a determination on FOCD issues, has been filed through the E-Filing system this 1st day of March 2013.

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