

June 5, 1997

Mr. T.H. Cloninger, Chairman
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Westinghouse Owners Group
South Texas Project
P.O. Box 289
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Sincerely,
Original Signed By:

Marylee M. Slosson, Acting Director
Division of Reactor Program Management
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Project No. 694

cc: Mr. Andrew Drake, Project Manager
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A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Marylee Slosson", is positioned above the typed name.

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T. H. Cloninger
Westinghouse Owners Group

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Callan, EDO

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF COMMENT PERIOD (PROPOSED
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For Appropriate Action.

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