

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 2011 *et seq.*
Dated: June 16, 2026.
For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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*Director, Division of Licensing Projects II,
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-498, 50-499, and 72-1041; NRC-2024-0169]

In the Matter of STP Nuclear Operating Company; South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2 and the Associated Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation; Second Extension of Direct Transfer of License

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Order; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing an order to extend, until December 11, 2026, the effectiveness of a December 11, 2024, order, which approved the direct transfer of a two percent ownership interest in Renewed Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-76 and NPF-80 for South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2, respectively, and the generally licensed independent spent fuel storage installation from Constellation South Texas, LLC to the City Public Service Board of San Antonio (CPS Energy).

DATES: The extension order was issued on June 9, 2026, and was effective upon issuance.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC 2024-0169 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Website:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2024-0169. Address questions about Docket IDs in *Regulations.gov* to Bridget Curran; telephone: 301-415-1003; email: Bridget.Curran@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual(s) listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- *NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):* You may obtain publicly available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select "Begin ADAMS Public Search." For

problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, at 301-415-4737, or by email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov. The application for extending the direct transfer order is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML26134A361. The order extending the approval of the direct transfer of licenses is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML26149A496.

- *NRC's PDR:* The PDR, where you may examine and order copies of publicly available documents, is open by appointment. To make an appointment to visit the PDR, please send an email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov or call 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. eastern time (ET), Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The text of the Order is attached.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 2011 *et seq.*

Dated: June 16, 2026.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

Attachment—Order Approving the Direct Transfer of License

United States of America

Nuclear Regulatory Commission

In the Matter of STP Nuclear Operating Company, South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2 and) Docket Nos. 50-498, 50-499, and 72-1041 the Associated Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation) Renewed License Nos. NPF-76 and NPF-80

Second Extension of Order Approving Direct Transfer of License

I.

STP Nuclear Operating Company (STPNOC) is the licensed operator, and the City of San Antonio, Texas, acting by and through the City Public Service Board of San Antonio (CPS Energy), Constellation South Texas, LLC (Constellation South Texas), and the City of Austin, Texas, are the licensed owners for Renewed Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-76 and NPF-80 and the general license for the independent spent fuel storage installation (ISFSI) (collectively, the licenses), which authorize the possession, use, and operation of South Texas Project (STP), Units 1 and 2 and the STP ISFSI,

respectively (the facilities). The facilities are located in Matagorda County, Texas.

II.

By Order dated December 11, 2024 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML24319A043) (Transfer Order), the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC, Commission) consented to the transfer of a 2 percent ownership interest of STP, Units 1 and 2 and its generally licensed ISFSI from Constellation South Texas to CPS Energy in accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Section 50.80, "Transfer of licenses," and 10 CFR 72.50, "Transfer of license." Currently, Constellation South Texas holds a 44 percent ownership interest in the facilities, while CPS Energy holds a 40 percent ownership interest in the facilities. Upon completion of the proposed direct transfer, Constellation South Texas and CPS Energy would each hold a 42 percent ownership interest in the facilities. The proposed direct transfer does not involve the City of Austin's 16 percent ownership interest in the facilities. By its terms, the Transfer Order becomes null and void if the transfer is not completed within one year (*i.e.*, by December 11, 2025); provided, however, that upon written application and for good cause shown, such date may be extended by order. By Order dated November 26, 2025 (ML25328A155), the NRC granted a six-month extension until June 11, 2026, to allow additional time to complete the remaining conditions to closing.

III.

By letter dated May 14, 2026 (ML26134A361), STPNOC, acting on behalf of CPS Energy and Constellation South Texas (collectively, the Applicants), requested that the NRC extend by an additional 6 months, until December 11, 2026, its prior approval of the direct transfer of a 2 percent ownership interest of Renewed Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-76 and NPF-80 for South Texas Project, Units 1 and 2 and the general license for the STP Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation between two of its existing owner-from Constellation South Texas, LLC to CPS Energy. As stated in the application, the requested second extension is due to STPNOC continuing to work to obtain a private letter ruling (PLR) or other binding guidance from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) addressing the tax treatment of the nuclear decommissioning trust funds—which are qualified funds under Section

468A of the Internal Revenue Code—following the transfer of funds from Constellation South Texas to CPS Energy described in the Application. The Applicants stated that they are diligently working with the IRS to obtain a closing agreement that will clarify the tax treatment and allow the transaction to close. Additionally, the Applicants stated that the extension request does not change the scope of the initial Application, and there have been no material changes in the conditions upon which the NRC relied in issuing the Transfer Order and accompanying safety evaluation.

Based on the above, the NRC staff has determined that the Applicants have shown good cause for extending the effectiveness of the Transfer Order from June 11, 2026 to December 11, 2026.

IV.

Accordingly, pursuant to Sections 161b, 161i, 161o, and 184 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 2201(b), 2201(i), 2201(o), and 2234; and 10 CFR 50.80 and 10 CFR 72.50, it is hereby ordered that the effectiveness of the Transfer Order dated December 11, 2025, is extended until December 11, 2026.

It is ordered that after receipt of all required regulatory approvals of the proposed transaction, the Applicants shall inform the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation in writing of such receipt no later than 5 business days prior to the planned closing of the proposed transaction. Should the proposed transaction not be completed by December 11, 2026, this order shall become null and void, provided, however, that upon written application to the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation and for good cause shown, such date may be extended by order. The condition of this order may be amended upon application by the Applicants and approval by the NRC.

This Order is effective upon issuance.

For further details with respect to this Order, see the application dated July 31, 2024, and the associated NRC safety evaluation dated December 11, 2024 (ML24319A034). Publicly available documents created or received at the NRC are accessible electronically through ADAMS in the NRC Library at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, should contact the NRC Public Document Room reference staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209, or 301-415-4737, or by email to pdr.resource@nrc.gov.

Dated: June 9, 2026

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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Aida Rivera-Varona, *Director Division of Operating Reactor Licensing Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation*

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

737th Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS)

In accordance with the purposes of Sections 29 and 182b of the Atomic Energy Act (42 U.S.C. 2039, 2232(b)), the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) will hold meetings on July 8 through 10, 2026. In addition, the ACRS is implementing Section 4.(b) of Executive Order (E.O.) 14300, "Ordering the Reform of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission," dated May 23, 2025, which states, in part, that the functions of the ACRS shall be reduced to the minimum necessary to fulfill ACRS's statutory obligations and that review by ACRS of permitting and licensing issues shall focus on issues that are truly novel and noteworthy. The ACRS will only undertake other work as directed by the Commission in accordance with Sections 29 and 182b of the Atomic Energy Act.

The Committee will be conducting meetings that will include some Members being physically present at the headquarters of the NRC while other Members participate remotely. Interested members of the public are encouraged to participate remotely in any open sessions via Microsoft Teams or via phone at 301-576-2978, passcode 136614530#. A more detailed agenda, including the Microsoft Teams link, may be found at the ACRS public website at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/acrs/agenda/index.html>. If you would like the Microsoft Teams link forwarded to you, please contact: Quynh.Nguyen@nrc.gov or Lawrence.Burkhart@nrc.gov.

Wednesday, July 8, 2026

8:30 a.m.–8:35 a.m.: *Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman* (Open)—The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.

8:35 a.m.–1:00 p.m.: *Proposed Rulemaking on Modernizing Reactor Licensing, Safety Oversight, and Siting*

Practices (Related to Executive Order (E.O.) 14300) (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations from and have discussions with NRC staff regarding the subject topic.

1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.: *Committee Deliberation on Proposed Rulemaking on Modernizing Reactor Licensing, Safety Oversight, and Siting Practices* (Open)—The Committee will deliberate on the subject topic.

Thursday, July 9, 2026

8:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m.: *Planning and Procedures Session/Future ACRS Activities/Reconciliation of ACRS Comments and Recommendations/Preparation of Reports* (Open/Closed)—The Committee will discuss planning and procedures topics including items proposed for consideration by the Full Committee during future ACRS meetings; deliberate; and proceed to preparation of reports. [Note: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(2), a portion of this meeting may be closed to discuss organizational and personnel matters that relate solely to internal personnel rules and practices of the ACRS.]. [Note: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C 552b(c)(4), a portion of this session may be closed in order to discuss and protect information designated as proprietary.]

10:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.: *Westinghouse Topical Report on Encore Chromium Coated Cladding for Use in Pressurized Water Reactors/Continued Committee Deliberation on Previous Topics Such as E.O. 14300 Proposed Rules/Planning and Procedures Session Continuation/Preparation of Reports* (Open/Closed)—The Committee will hear presentations from and have discussions with NRC staff and applicants regarding the subject topic. The Committee will continue deliberation on previous topics, continue discussion on planning and procedures topics, and proceed with preparation of reports. [Note: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(2), a portion of this meeting may be closed to discuss organizational and personnel matters that relate solely to internal personnel rules and practices of the ACRS.]. [Note: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C 552b(c)(4), a portion of this session may be closed in order to discuss and protect information designated as proprietary.]

Friday, July 10, 2026

8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.: *Continued Committee Deliberations and Preparation of Reports* (Open/Closed)—The Committee will continue deliberations and proceed with preparation of reports.