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March 31, 2009

Honorable Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First St., N.E.  
Washington, DC 20426

RE: East Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. –  
Lake Livingston Hydroelectric Project –  
FERC Project No. 12632 –  
Transmittal of Application for License for Major Project—Existing Dam  
and Draft Applicant Prepared Environmental Assessment

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Dear Secretary Bose:

Transmitted herewith for electronic filing is East Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s (Cooperative) Application for License for Major Project—Existing Dam for the proposed Lake Livingston Hydroelectric Project (Project), together with a draft Applicant Prepared Environmental Assessment (APEA). The Cooperative currently holds a preliminary permit for the Project.

By letter dated February 20, 2008, the Director, Office of Energy Projects, authorized the Cooperative to utilize the alternative licensing procedures (ALP) under section 4.34(i) of the Commission's regulations, 18 C.F.R. § 4.34(i). The Cooperative accordingly submits its application pursuant to the ALP, including the submission of a draft APEA in lieu of an Exhibit E.

The Project's Exhibit F drawings, Supporting Design Report and related attachments are being filed as non-public Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII) pursuant to section 388.112 of the Commission's regulations, 18 C.F.R. § 388.112. All other parts of the application and the APEA are filed as public documents. Please note as well that the Exhibit F drawings depict conceptual configurations at this time, and are subject to revision after the final configuration and design of Project features has been determined.

The Cooperative appreciates the high level of cooperation and assistance provided by the Commission's Division of Hydropower Licensing staff during the development of this application and APEA. We also extend our appreciation to the staffs of the state and federal resource agencies with which the Cooperative engaged in consultations during the pre-filing stage.

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Please contact the undersigned counsel for the Cooperative with any questions concerning this submittal.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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