United States District Court Southern District of Texas

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September 14, 2018 David J. Bradley, Clerk

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS GALVESTON DIVISION

MICHAEL K. TOMEK

Plaintiff,

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VS.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:17-CV-00340

STP NUCLEAR OPERATING CO.

Defendant.

ORDER ADOPTING MAGISTRATE JUDGE'S MEMORANDUM AND RECOMMENDATION

Pending before the Court are Michael K. Tomek's Objections to Memorandum and Recommendation. Dkt. 23. On August 7, 2018, this case was referred to Magistrate Judge Andrew M. Edison pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). On August 28, 2018, Judge Edison filed a Memorandum and Recommendation recommending that Defendant STP Nuclear Operating Company's Motion for Summary Judgment Based on Preemption (Dkt. 16) be **GRANTED**.

On September 11, 2018, Plaintiff filed his Objections. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(c), this Court is required to "make a de novo determination of those portions of the [magistrate judge's] report or specified proposed findings or recommendations to which objection [has been] made." After conducting this de novo review, the Court may "accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge." *Id.*; *see also* FED. R. CIV. P. 72(b)(3).

The Court has carefully considered the Objections; the Memorandum and Recommendation; the pleadings and summary judgment record; and the briefing and arguments of the parties. The Court ACCEPTS Judge Edison's Memorandum and Recommendation and ADOPTS it as the opinion of the Court. It is therefore

ORDERED that:

(1) The Plaintiff's Objections to Magistrate Judge's Memorandum and Recommendation are **OVERRULED**;

(2) Defendant STP Nuclear Operating Company's Motion for Summary Judgment Based on Preemption (Dkt. 16) be **GRANTED**; and

(3) This case is **DISMISSED**

SIGNED at Galveston, Texas, this 14th day of September, 2018.

George C. Hanks Jr.

United States District Judge