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Harold B. Ray, Executive Vice President Southern California Edison Co. San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station P.O. Box 128 San Clemente, California 92674-0128

SUBJECT: CLOSURE OF INVESTIGATION (OI 4-1999-069)

Dear Mr. Ray:

This letter is in reference to an investigation conducted by the NRC Office of Investigations (OI) regarding activities at the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station. OI initiated the investigation to determine whether an emergency preparedness engineer was subjected to employment discrimination for having raised safety concerns regarding emergency planning readiness.

Based on the evidence developed during the investigation, testimony, and document reviews, the allegation was not substantiated. The NRC plans no further action regarding this investigation and considers this case closed.

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Sincerely,

/Elmo E. Collins Acting for/

Ken E. Brockman, Director Division of Reactor Projects

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