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OFFICE OF SECRETARY
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RE: Demand for NRC to Extend Public Comment Period on Proposed Dry Cask Storage Facility at SONGS Unit1

Dear Mr. Kobetz,

According to a an SCE Press Release published in Orange County, NRC opened a Public Comment Period, to accept comments from the public on a proposed Dry Cask Storage System for HLRW at SONGS Unit 1. The Public Comment period runs from 02-12-02 until 04-29-02.

Please accept this correspondence as a request/demand that NRC extend the Public Comment period, so it does not commence until the Seismic Hazard Study of Postulated Blind Thrust Faults, which was submitted by SCE to NRC on 12-27-01 is submitted to the public in its entirety, including all Figures, Tables, Plates/Maps which are listed in the Table of Contents and appendices, in a size where they are fully legible. The full Seismic Study and all exhibits are requested in a printout (hard copy), and in electronic form.

As you know, I still have not been provided with the full Seismic Study with all Figures, Tables, Plates/Maps listed in the report's Table of Contents, despite repeated contacts and efforts to obtain this vital information from Jack Donohew (NRC Project Manager for SONGS Units 1, or directly from SCE (Licensee).

As you know, many others I know have asked for this information. The full report w/all exhibits cannot be located on the ADAMS system.

Until the full report w/all technical exhibits are made available to the public, it is impossible for the public to develop meaningful, relevant public comments for NRC's consideration on the proposed Dry Cask Storage Facility at SONGS Unit1. Until the full report w/all technical exhibits are publicly available, it is impossible to seek independent analysis by other geologists, on the findings, methodology, or conclusions drawn in the report submitted 12-27-01 by SCE to NRC. It is anticipated that considerable time may be needed to engage other qualified geologists to develop an independent analysis on the Seismic Hazard Study on Postulated Blind Thrust Faults.

It is an unfair burden to the public, to be deprived of this vital information. Despite being limited by a vital document which is still not yet available to the public, NRC's Public Comment period forces the public to comply with a Public Comment period which commenced 02-12-02, and extends til 04-29-02.

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Due to the absolute public unavailability of the complete seismic study SCE submitted on 12-27-02 to NRC, the specific relief sought in this letter is that NRC extend the Public Comment Period, so it commences no sooner than the point in time when said report with all technical exhibits listed in report's Table of Contents is made publicly available, by both a hard copy print out, in a size where exhibits are fully legible, and in an electronic format.

The full Public Comment period should be extended accordingly, so the end of the public comment period is extended the same number of days (02-12-02 til 04-29-02) from whatever date this vital information is made publicly available.

Please respond as soon as possible to this request.

New public notice should be published in local newspapers in Orange County, San Diego, and Los Angeles County to notify the public of an extended period for NRC acceptance of Public Comments. Public notice in the newspapers in local communities surrounding SONGS is needed to **provide constructive advance notice to the public of this opportunity to respond on the proposed Dry Cask Storage Facility at SONGS Units 1. An obscure notice posted only in Federal Register may meet NRC minimum technical requirements, but hardly reflects a meaningful effort to provide effective outreach or notice to average citizens in local communities surrounding SONGS, who will all be directly and indirectly effected by the proposal, for not only this generation, but possibly many future generations, since the facility may not be as temporary as described, and could potentially become permanent.**

Your favorable consideration on this request to extend NRC's Public Comment period would be appreciated, and is perceived as what should be NRC's duty to the public interest.

Sincerely,



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Patricia,

Here's the text of the document and links to news articles about it.

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Tuesday February 12, 3:47 pm Eastern Time

Press Release

SOURCE: Southern California Edison

NRC Public Comment Period Opens For San Onofre Unit 1 Fuel Storage Design
 SAN CLEMENTE, Feb. 12 /PRNewswire/ -- Officials at the San Onofre Nuclear
 Generating Station (SONGS) announced today that the Nuclear Regulatory
 Commission (NRC) is now accepting public comment on the design proposed for
 the SONGS Unit 1 temporary used nuclear fuel storage system (commonly known
 as "dry cask storage"). The public comment period began yesterday and
 continues through April 29.

Members of the public wishing to file comments about the proposed dry cask
 storage facility are invited to follow the process outlined in the Federal
 Register Notice (Vol. 67, No. 28, pages 6203-6205). This notice can be
 accessed online at http://www.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/aces140.html.

The NRC will review all public comments in conjunction with its technical
 review of the storage system design as proposed by Transnuclear West Inc.

~~The NRC review has been underway since the Unit 1 accident.~~

permanently package and temporarily store the Unit 1 used nuclear fuel in
 preparation for its final disposal at a storage site approved by the U.S.
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