June 12, 1996

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SUBJECT: PARTIAL IMPLEMENTATION OF AMENDMENT NO. 127 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-10 AND AMENDMENT NO. 116 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-15 - SAN ONOFRE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNITS 2 AND 3

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The staff's Safety Evaluation that accompanied the February 9, 1996, issuance of the ITS provided the basis for concluding that the revised action statement for the high-range radiation monitors was acceptable. The NRC staff concludes that the early implementation of the portion of the ITS governing the highrange containment monitors poses no safety concern.

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