EDO Principal Correspondence Control

FROM:

DUE: 01/07/04

EDO CONTROL: G20030764

DOC DT: 12/23/03

FINAL REPLY:

Senator Barbara Boxer

TO:

Chairman Diaz

FOR SIGNATURE OF :

** PRI **

CRC NO: 03-0807

Chairman Diaz

DESC:

ROUTING:

Emergency Inspection of Diablo Canyon

Travers

Norry

Paperiello

Kane Collins Dean

DATE: 12/24/03

Burns/Cyr Dyer, NRR

ASSIGNED TO:

CONTACT:

RIV

Mallett

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS OR REMARKS:

Template: SECY-017

E-RIDS: SECY-01

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY CORRESPONDENCE CONTROL TICKET

Date Printed: Dec 24, 2003 12:50

PAPER NUMBER:

LTR-03-0807

LOGGING DATE: 12/24/2003

ACTION OFFICE:

EDO

AUTHOR:

Barbara Boxer

AFFILIATION:

SEN

ADDRESSEE:

Nils Diaz

SUBJECT:

Urges the NRC undertake an emegency inspection at the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant

ACTION:

Signature of Chairman

DISTRIBUTION:

Chairman, Comrs, RF, OCA to Ack

LETTER DATE:

12/23/2003

ACKNOWLEDGED

No

SPECIAL HANDLING:

NOTES:

Commission Correspondence

FILE LOCATION:

ADAMS

DATE DUE:

01/09/2004

DATE SIGNED:

1272J/03 17:02 FAX 415 958 6701

BARBARA BOXER

4094

Ø 002

COMMITTEES:

COMMERCE, SCIENCE AND TRANSPORTATION ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

POREIGN RELATIONS

BARBARA BOXER CALIFORNIA

Received Fax

United States Senate

HART SENATE OFFICE BUILDING SUITE 112 **WASHINGTON, DC 20510-0505** (202) 224-3553 http://boxer.scnate.gov/contact

December 23, 2003

Nils Diaz Chairman Nuclear Regulatory Commission 1 White Flint N. Bldg. 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, MD 20852

Dear Chairman Diaz:

I am writing to you to urge that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission undertake an emergency inspection of Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant. I am concerned that the 6.5 magnitude earthquake which struck the area yesterday may have caused damage to the plant that has not yet been detected.

I have been advised that a serious earthquake could cause structural damage to the underlying foundation of the plant's reactors. I request that, as part of your work, you inspect the foundation as well as the cooling tubes and other piping in the facility.

I am sure that Californians would feel more secure knowing that the Diablo Canyon plant has been inspected. It is important to rule out any damage and therefore any increased risk that may have been caused by the earthquake.

I urge you to act quickly. We must ensure that all facilities are safe. I will contact you in the next few days.

Sincerely.

arbara-Boxer

United States, Senator