

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:

Emergency Inspection of Diablo Canyon

ROUTING:

Travers
Norry
Paperiello
Kane
Collins
Dean
Burns/Cyr
Dyer, NRR

DATE: 12/24/03

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 emergency 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:**

12/23/03 17:02 FAX 415 958 6701

BARBARA BOXER

4094

002

BARBARA BOXER
CALIFORNIACOMMITTEES:
COMMERCE, SCIENCE
AND TRANSPORTATION
ENVIRONMENT
AND PUBLIC WORKS
FOREIGN RELATIONS**United States Senate**HART SENATE OFFICE BUILDING
SUITE 112
WASHINGTON, DC 20510-0505
(202) 224-3553
<http://boxer.senate.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:

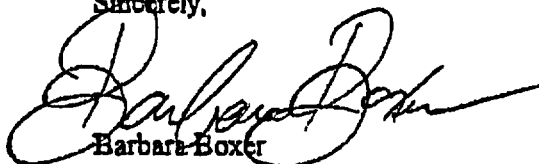
I am writing to you to urge that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission undertake an emergency inspection of Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant. I am concerned that the 6.5 magnitude earthquake which struck the area yesterday may have caused damage to the plant that has not yet been detected.

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,


Barbara Boxer
United States Senator1700 MONTGOMERY STREET
SUITE 240
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111
(415) 403-0100312 NORTH SPRING STREET
SUITE 1748
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
(213) 824-5000501 'I' STREET
SUITE 7-600
SACRAMENTO, CA 95814
(916) 448-27871130 'O' STREET
SUITE 2150
FRESNO, CA 93721
(559) 497-6109600 'B' STREET
SUITE 2240
SAN DIEGO, CA 92101
(619) 239-3884201 NORTH 'E' STREET
SUITE 210
SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92401
(909) 886-8525