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Dear NRC:

We live near the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant in San Luis Obispo County, Ca. We appreciate any suggestion to make this plant safer and more secure. Therefore, we wholeheartedly support the petition by the Committee to Bridge the Gap, which proposes the "beamhenge" concept for all US Nuclear Plants. In addition we like to comment that a return to "low density" in the spent fuel pools would also greatly enhance the safety and security at the plants. This would eliminate the possibility of catastrophic fires in the pools altogether at reasonable costs. In light of 9/11, it is essential that the pools will be returned to their original low density design. In Diablo Canyon's EIR for the proposed ISFSI, the return to low density is recommended by SLO County's consultant MARINE RESEARCH SPECIALISTS (as "accelerated transfer" under "environmentally superior alternative", page 6-1 ff). Please, see also page 10-165/66 of the FEIR, January 2004. The additional costs are there considered to be "relatively small" since "accelerated transfer" would only change the rate of cask loading.

We urge you to take both "beamhenge" and "accelerated transfer" into serious consideration.

Sincerely

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