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To: The Nuclear Regulatory Commissioners.

RE: the application to extend the two reactors at Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power plant a further 20 years.

Dear Commissioners,

There are three compelling studies/ reasons for you to deny this application.

1. Radiation kills surrounding populations. The precise research shows statistical evidence of increasing deaths downwind from nuclear plants. This is in a book by Jay Gould and others called "The Enemy Within".

2. Conditions conducive to accidents are present at Diablo Canyon especially in regard to the earthquake factor and the two aging plants. Charles Perrow, the author of "Normal Accidents", maintains the absence of an accident at Diablo Canyon Nuclear Plant is because not sufficient time has yet elapsed for an accident to happen. He advocates these reactors should be closed down immediately.

3. Compelling arguments to not continue expanding nuclear power are found in the book: "Nuclear Power is Not the Answer", by Helen Caldicott. Her research covers almost all the reasons why Diablo Canyon reactors should not be given longer lives. Waste is an overriding problem. Environmental racism and enormous costs are also well exposed by this researcher.

The arguments found in the above three books involve outstanding thinking about these reactor flaws and potential damage to humans.

Please facilitate the reading of these books by your staff and aides who will I trust write at least a one page conclusion of the results outlined for your honest attempt to predict the future and rationally decide on no extension time for reactors Diablo 1 and 2.

This is morally imperative. A precautionary action is needed now.

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