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October 31, 2011

The Hon. Gregory B. Jaczko, PhD Chairman, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Mail Stop O-16G4 Washington, DC 20555-0001

RE: Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant - California

Dear Dr. Jaczko:

The Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, located on the coast line of central California, has been licensed and in operation since 1985. The two reactors, units 1 and 2, are licensed to operate until 2024 and 2025 respectively. At that time, assuming uninterrupted operation, the two units will have been bombarded by nuclear reaction for 40 years.

The PG&E Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant is very close to thirteen geological fault lines, and I understand that one fault line goes up and under Reactor No. 1. With this in mind, PG&E is positioning itself to extend the operating permits for another twenty years beyond the current operating permits which expire in 2024 and 2025. If the permits are extended for 20 years, and the units continue operating, that means that the reactors would be bombarded by nuclear reaction for 60 years.

The recent occurrence at the Japanese Fukushima nuclear plant should be a wake-up call to PG&E, the NRC, and the world at large. The German government has seen the light, and is in the process of not renewing any nuclear power plant permits.

I urge you, as the head of the NRC, to reject the PG&E request for the extension of the Diablo Canyon Nuclear power plant on the basis of safety. We on the central coast of California live in the path of the death plume that would emanate from a nuclear disaster at PG&E's Diablo Canyon power plant.

As a side note, my discussion does not even address the safety and security problems of the waste created by the Diablo Canyon nuclear plant and its (perpetual) on-site storage.

Sincerely,

J. B. Micallef

cc: The Hon. Dianne Feinstein The Hon. Barbara Boxer

The Hon. Lois Capps