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State Senator Christine Kehoe
State of California

TO:

Chairman Jaczko

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San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station - Oversight
Issues (EDATS: SECY-2012-0113)

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Ref. G20120082. Staff to provide courtesy copy to OEDO (Greg Bowman) by 4/12/12 to give to Anna Bradford, OCM/GBJ for Chairman review prior to dispatch. Response is to be consistent with letter to Senator Boxer (ML12053A438).

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ACKNOWLEDGED No

SPECIAL HANDLING: Staff should provide courtesy copy of response to Anna Bradford, Chairman's Office...3 days prior to dispatch...

~~EDO to respond once Chairman signs letter to Boxer (Ltr-12-0051)~~
Response to be consistent with letter to Boxer (ML12053A438)

NOTES:

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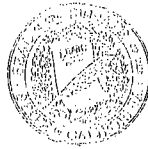
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February 13, 2012

Gregory Joczko, Ph.D., Chairman
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Washington, DC 20555-0001

RE: SAN ONOFRE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION: OVERSIGHT ISSUES

Dear Chairman Joczko:

I share the same safety and equipment concerns raised by Senator Barbara Boxer, in her February 8, 2012 letter to you regarding the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGs).

My State Senate district, which includes the City of San Diego is approximately fifty miles away from the SONGs power plant. San Diego Gas and Electric (SDG&E), the power company that serves my district and most of San Diego County receives almost twenty percent of its electricity from this nuclear facility.

Since the shutdown of the power plant, there have been differing reports as to the cause of the leak and the integrity of the steam tubes being used. Some news outlets have reported comments made by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) spokesperson, Victor Dricks, about steam generator tubes at the plant showing "many, many years" of wear. Is his statement conclusive of an NRC investigation? If it is, what oversight action is the NRC taking to ensure that these problems are corrected and the power plant resumes operation.

Additionally, SONGs reported the same week, an incident from January where a contracted employee fell into the spent fuel rod cooling pool. This incident is just one among many safety violations at the facility over the past 2 years. What action is the NRC taking to address SONGs continued safety violations?

The safety of the public and the reliability of this important plant providing power to the grid requires immediate attention.

Thank you for considering my questions, I look forward to your official response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christine Kehoe".

CHRISTINE KEHOE
Senator, 39th District

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