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Consideration Determination; San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station, Unit 2

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General Comment

Oppose Edison Licensing Amendment & Oppose No Significant Hazard Request: FR Doc # 2013-08888

I oppose Edison's licensing amendment that allows the San Onofre Unit 2 to restart operating at 70% of the maximum power level.

It does not make sense that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission plans to hold a safety hearing after granting the license and allowing the reactor to be up and running.

In my opinion, San Onofre should not be restarted at all. It is an accident waiting to happen!

I also oppose the No Significant Hazard request. It's insane to restart Unit 2 without knowing the cause of the tube failures. Thousands of indications of wear were found on the tubes.

8.5 million people live within 50 miles of San Onofre. There are massive earthquake faults near. The radioactivity with immense heat inside the cores could cause a meltdown even after shut down.

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Edison built the reactors thinking they would never have to replace the steam generators. The original steam generators failed before their estimated 40-year lifetime. The latest replacements failed within 16 months.

Steam Generators are critical to safety as they extract heat from the core so the fuel doesn't melt. If they fail and melting occurs, radiation can escape directly into the environment.

The designers failed to provide access to replace the tubes. A hatch would have solved this. Instead, a hole must be cut allowing vulnerably to small fractures and seriously compromising the ability of the containment structure to protect the environment in case of an accident.

The NRC 30 years ago estimated that if an accident at San Onofre occurs there would be 130,000 immediate deaths; 300,000 cancers, and 600,000 genetic affects. That means more than one million casualties. And today those numbers would be greatly increased.

I implore that this Licensing Amendment & No Significant Safety Hazard not be granted.