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## **General Comment**

RE: Docket ID NRC-2013-0070

May 16, 2013

Dear Mr. Benney:

As the Mayor of Encinitas, a community within 50 miles of the San Onofre power plant, I write to express my deep concerns regarding the proposed restart of one of the severely damaged San Onofre nuclear reactors.

The citizens of my community are very concerned about the potential for a major nuclear accident at San Onofre, which risks causing serious harm to millions of people in Southern California and will also be a devastating blow to the economy of the area, California and the nation.

To restart a severely damaged nuclear reactor when the cause of the damage is uncertain, the time until another accident unclear, and the basis for the restart is reliant upon an assumption that this critical equipment will progressively destroy itself – even during reduced power operation – puts the lives and livelihoods of my constituents at unacceptable risk.

Edison has further asked the NRC to determine that this amendment involves "no significant hazards consideration." Before the NRC allows any proposed changes to San Onofre's operating license, the public

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deserves the safety questions to be fully addressed in a transparent hearing that allows testimony by local communities and third party experts.

There is no compelling reason to take major safety risks to help return an aging, heavily damaged nuclear reactor located in a seismic zone to 70% capacity. Our lights in Southern California have stayed on for over a year without San Onofre even during recent record high temperatures.

I additionally wish to associate myself and express my full support for and agreement with the submission of Friends of the Earth to this license amendment request, including their opposition to the NRC's determination of a no significant hazard consideration.

Regards,

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Teresa Arballo Barth Mayor City of Encinitas