

TULARE COUNTY FARM BUREAU

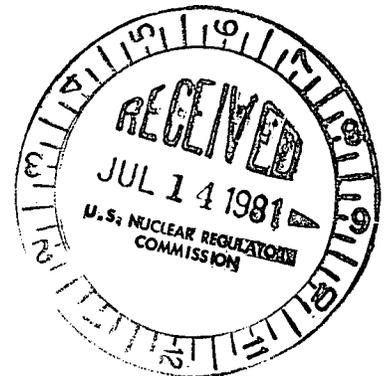


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Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D. C. 20555



Dear Mr. Denton:

Tulare County Farm Bureau represents over 3,000 farmers and ranchers in Tulare County. The majority of these farmers and ranchers are heavily dependent on electricity for irrigation, frost protection and other facets of their operations.

It is our official position to support the building and construction of additional electrical generating plants which would help to protect this important energy resource. This includes nuclear power plants as well as hydroelectric facilities.

We feel that the nuclear power plants such as San Onofre which are constructed should be put into production as soon as they are ready in order to maximize their effectiveness.

We urge you to authorize the licensing of Units I and II of San Onofre Power Plants as soon as is feasible.

Sincerely,

Elmer Smith

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Utility Committee Chairman

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RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, Tulare County Farm Bureau is vitally concerned that the economic, environmental and social well-being of the State of California be maintained; and
- WHEREAS, an adequate supply of energy is critical to meeting California's economic and social needs while preserving the environmental gains of the past decade; and
- WHEREAS, this nation's continued overdependence on foreign oil has caused major adverse economic impacts; and
- WHEREAS, there must be a strong commitment to conservation of the nation's limited resources and development of efficient and secure new sources of energy here at home, and
- WHEREAS, regulatory delays in the planning and licensing of needed energy facilities are costly to the consumer, damaging to the environment, and result in greater importation of foreign oil;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Tulare County Farm Bureau supports

1. licensing San Onofre Units II and III nuclear power plants
2. developing alternative forms of energy such as, solar, geothermal and wind
3. a continued commitment to conservation of our energy resources.

Ronald Michaelis
Pres. Tulare Co. Farm
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