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Docket Nos. 50-361  
and 50-362

Dr. Milton S. Plesset  
Chairman, Advisory Committee  
on Reactor Safeguards  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Dr. Plesset:

Enclosed for review by the Committee are twenty (20) copies of the Safety Evaluation Report relating to geology and seismology, prepared by the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation in the matter of the application filed by the Southern California Edison Company for licenses to operate the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station, Units 2 and 3.

We believe that the subject matter of this report is sufficiently important to the review of this application that it warrants advance publication prior to completion of the other aspects of our safety review. We request that the Committee review this report at this time, and provide its comments relating to San Onofre geology and seismology. Completion of the Committee's review of this area (and the subsequent completion of any resulting revisions to the staff's review) will allow the ASLB hearing to proceed in this crucial area. We are recommending this course of action in order to expedite an NRC decision regarding the issuance of operating licenses for San Onofre Units 2 and 3.

Sincerely,

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Robert L. Tedesco, Assistant Director  
for Licensing  
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