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SUBJECT: Forwards application for amend to License NPF-10, consisting of Proposed Change NPF-10/15-237, revising Tech Spec 3/4.2.7, "Axial Shape Index" & associated bases to support extended fuel cycle operation.

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Gentlemen:

Subject: Docket Nos. 50-361 and 50-362
San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station
Units 2 and 3

Enclosed for your review and approval is a proposed change to the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) Units 2 and 3 Technical Specifications. The proposed change, NPF-10/15-237, (PCN-237) revises Technical Specification (TS) 3/4.2.7, "Axial Shape Index" and its associated Bases. This specification defines as limiting conditions for operation (LCO) the limits on core average axial shape index (ASI) to be maintained. This specification also requires periodic performance of specified surveillance inspections to verify that the LCO is met, and identify compensatory actions to be taken in the event that the LCO is not met.

The proposed change revises the ASI limit to support extended fuel cycle operation. Extended fuel cycles have necessitated a decreased range for the ASI when calculated utilizing the Core Operating Limit Supervisory System (COLSS).

Although refueling operations can be carried out within the current ASI range, the Southern California Edison Company (SCE) requests prompt review and approval of the proposed change in order to avoid the potential for conflict with current technical specification limits in the upcoming Unit 2 refueling outage. Approval is requested by October 30, 1987.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 170.12, enclosed is the required amendment application fee of \$150.00. A formal request for this change will be included in SCE's next formal amendment application.

If you have any questions regarding the enclosed information, please call me.



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