

REGULATORY INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM (RIDS)

COESSION NBR: 7909110499 DOC. DATE: 79/09/04 NOTARIZED: NO DOCKET #
 FACIL: 50-361 San Onofre Nuclear Station, Unit 2, Southern Californ 05000341
 50-362 San Onofre Nuclear Station, Unit 3, Southern Californ 05000362
 AUTH. NAME AUTHOR AFFILIATION
 DRAKE, J. H. Southern California Edison Co.
 RECIP. NAME RECIPIENT AFFILIATION
 DENTON, H. R. Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

SUBJECT: Requests timely resolution of licensing open items re
 geology, seismology, dewatering well cavities & structural
 audit results, so that Nov 1980 OL issuance date can be met.

DISTRIBUTION CODE: B001B COPIES RECEIVED: LTR 1 ENCL 0 SIZE: 2
 TITLE: PSAR/FSAR Amdts. & Related Correspondence

NOTES: SEND ALL FSAR & ER AMENDS TO L. CHANDLER.

	RECIPIENT ID CODE/NAME	COPIES LTTR ENCL		RECIPIENT ID CODE/NAME	COPIES LTTR ENCL
TION:	05 PM <u>ROOD</u>	1 1		AD <u>LWR</u>	1 0
	BC <u>LWR #2</u>	1 0		LA <u>LWR #2</u>	1 0
TERNAL:	01 <u>REG FILE</u>	1 1		02 NRC PDR	1 1
	06 <u>1 & E</u>	2 2		08 OPERA LIC BR	1 1
	09 GEOSCIEN BR	4 4		10 QAB	1 1
	11 MECH ENG BR	1 1		12 STRUC ENG BR	1 1
	13 MATL ENG BR	2 2		15 REAC SYS BR	1 1
	16 ANALYSIS BR	1 1		17 CORE PERF BR	1 1
	18 AUX SYS BR	1 1		19 CONTAIN SYS	1 1
	20 I & C SYS BR	1 1		21 POWER SYS BR	1 1
	22 AD SITE TECH	1 0		26 ACCDNT ANLYS	1 1
	27 EFFL TRT SYS	1 1		28 RAD ASMT BR	1 1
	29 KIRKWOOD	1 1		AD FOR ENG	1 0
	AD PLANT SYS	1 0		AD REAC SAFETY	1 0
	AD SITE ANALYSIS	1 0		DIRECTOR NRR	1 0
	HYDRO-METEOR BR	2 2		MPA	1 0
	DELD	1 0			
TERNAL:	03 LPDR	1 1		04 NSIC	1 1
	30 ACRS	10 10			

SEP 12 1979

LH

MOORE

EPB #2 BC

D SCALETT

EPB #2 LA

MA
4

TOTAL NUMBER OF COPIES REQUIRED: LTTR

55

ENCL

0

Southern California Edison Company

SCE

P. O. BOX 800

2244 WALNUT GROVE AVENUE

ROSEMEAD, CALIFORNIA 91770

J. H. DRAKE
VICE PRESIDENT

TELEPHONE
213-572-2258

September 4, 1979

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

REGULATORY DOCKET FILE COPY

Dear Mr. Denton:

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

My letter of August 16, 1979, transmitted a report entitled, "Evaluation and Action Plan for San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station Units 2&3 Relative to the Three Mile Island Incident." The report is the result of an extensive study of regulatory and industry-wide consensus of lessons learned from the Three Mile Island incident, and provides commitments to proceed with engineering and physical modifications deemed appropriate to provide an upgraded level of nuclear safety for San Onofre Units 2 and 3. As indicated in my letter, we have initiated engineering and procurement for the items in the report.

Also, on August 16, 1979, a meeting was held with members of your staff to review our report, to discuss the status of open items, and to reaffirm our request that licensing activities for San Onofre Unit 2 be placed back on a schedule consistent with issuance of an operating license by November, 1980. During this meeting, we also discussed with your staff additional steps we have taken to complete plant construction by November, 1980.

Regarding the status of open items, the majority of information requested by your staff has been provided, and all the information requested on the following four key issues in our license review has been submitted:

1. Geology-Seismology
2. Seismic Qualification Review
3. Dewatering Well Cavities
4. Structural Audit Results

We believe your staff generally agreed that expeditious disposition of these items is required for timely issuance of the Safety Evaluation Report.

7 909110499 •

Boo
SEP
1/70

SCE

Mr. Harold R. Denton

-2-

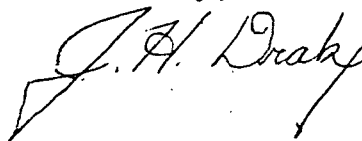
September 4, 1979

At our meeting of August 29, 1979, I reiterated our requests that San Onofre licensing activities be placed back on a schedule consistent with issuance of an operating license in November, 1980, and that special attention be given to the four key areas noted above. Towards this end, Mr. Baskin will be requesting a meeting with Mr. Vasallo the week of September 24, to discuss the status within the NRC staff of each of the above items.

As noted in my letter of August 16, 1979, and as discussed in the above-noted meetings, it is extremely critical that San Onofre Units 2&3, remain on schedule. In addition to a monthly reduction in consumption of one million barrels of oil and resultant savings each month of \$21 million to our customers from the operation of Unit 2, the capacity and energy from San Onofre are critical to reliably serve southern California customers in the summer of 1981 and beyond.

We have been responsive to your staff to address outstanding non-TMI licensing items. In addition, it is our view that we have made an unparalleled evaluation of TMI, coupled with the commitment to resolve safety questions prior to fuel load. Because of this, we believe that the NRC must at this time realistically face up to the schedular needs of the intermediate-term plants. Accordingly, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and Southern California Edison Company again respectfully request that you take steps to provide the required effort to resolve the San Onofre Unit 2 open items in a timely manner consistent with a November, 1980, issuance of an operating license.

Sincerely,



cc: Joseph M. Hendrie