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SUBJECT: AMENDMENT APPLICATION NO. 212, REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF

OPERATING LICENSE EXPIRATION DATE, SAN ONOFRE NUCLEAR

GENERATING STATION - UNIT 1 (TAC NO. M90325)

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Under the current provisions of 10 CFR 50.82(a)(3), decommissioning is to be completed within 60 years of permanent cessation of operations. Therefore, your decommissioning schedule will determine the expiration date for DRP-13.

This response completes NRC action on your September 6, 1994, request. If there are any questions concerning this response, please have your representative contact me at (301) 415-1444.

Sincerely, ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:

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