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Dear Mr. Baskin:

SUBJECT: TYPE A CONTAINMENT LEAK RATE TEST; SAN ONOFRE UNITS 1, 2 AND 3  
(TAC NOS. 65544, 65545 AND 65546)

By letter dated June 9, 1987, Southern California Edison Company requested NRC approval of Bechtel Topical Report BN-TOP-1, Rev. 1, 1972 for use at San Onofre Units 1, 2 and 3 as the basis for performance of short duration (less than 24 hours) Type A containment leak rate tests. The submittal noted that Appendix J to 10 CFR Part 50 endorses ANSI N45.4-1972 which states:

"If it can be demonstrated to the satisfaction of those responsible for the acceptance of the containment structure that the leakage rate can be accurately determined during a shorter test period, the agreed-upon shorter period may be used."

Provisions for a Type A test period of less than 24 hours are provided in BN-TOP-1, Rev. 1. This report has previously been reviewed by the staff and has been found to be acceptable in a safety evaluation report dated January 15, 1973. Thus, it is acceptable to use the BN-TOP-1 testing procedures and acceptance criteria for Type A containment leak rate testing at San Onofre, Units 1, 2 and 3.

Sincerely,

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