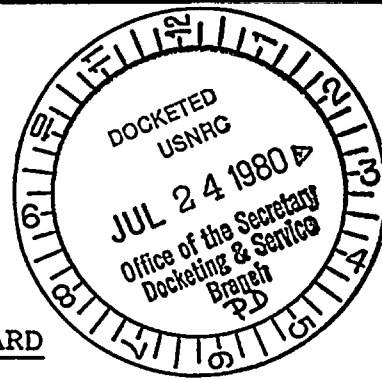


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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING APPEAL BOARD

In the Matter of: )

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY )

(Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, )  
Units 1 and 2 )

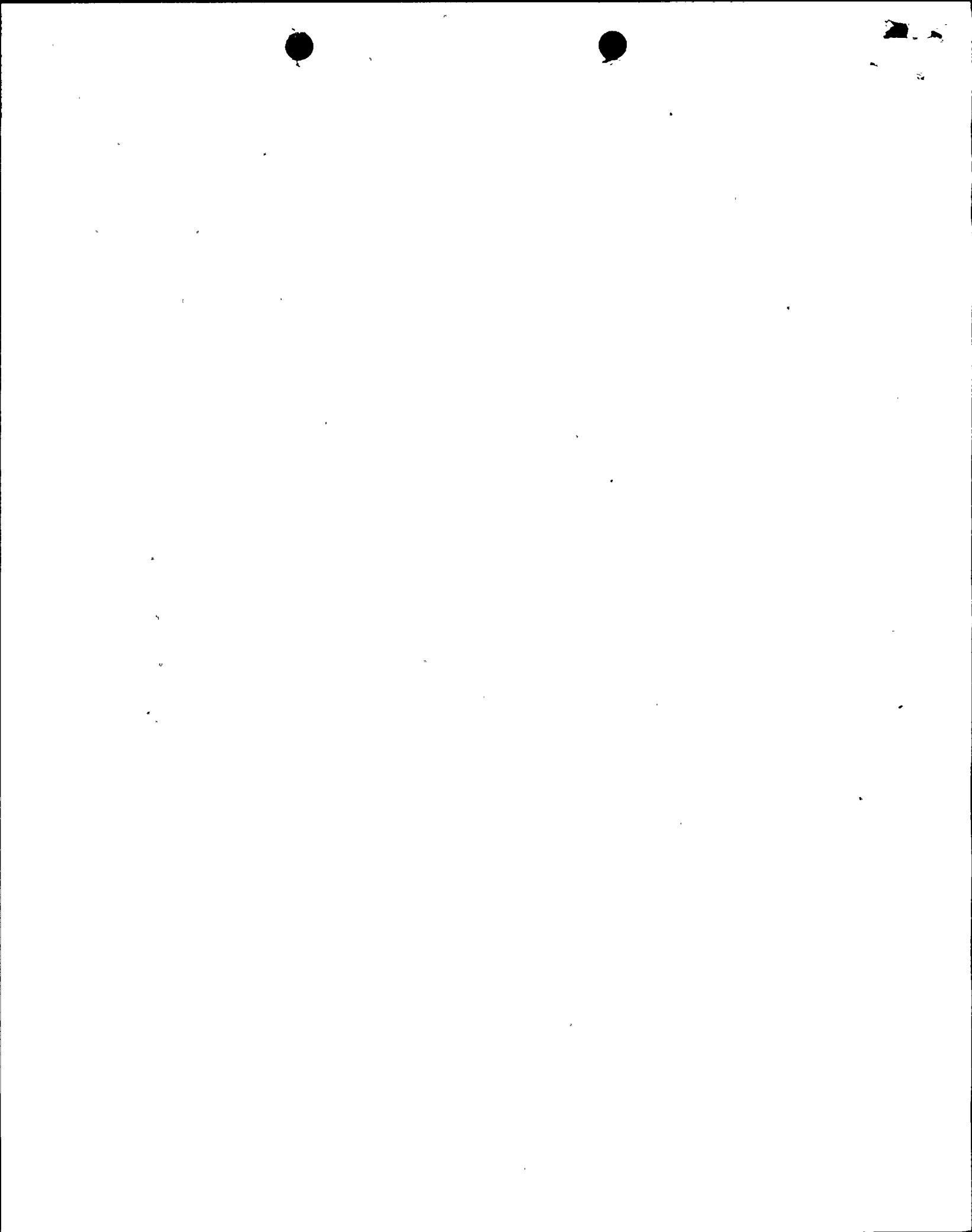
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STATEMENT OF GOVERNOR EDMUND G. BROWN, JR.,  
IN SUPPORT OF "JOINT INTERVENORS' REQUEST FOR  
RECONSIDERATION OF ALAB-598 OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE,  
FOR CERTIFICATION"

Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr. supports the Joint Intervenor's Request, dated July 17, 1980, "that Dr. Mihailo Trifunac and Dr. Enrique Luco [be] provided the opportunity to comment on questions contained in the Appendix and that the United States Geological Survey . . . be provided an opportunity to comment independently on these questions." (Joint Intervenor's Request, p. 1). In light of the pertinent expertise held by each of these persons and their earlier roles in this proceeding, their participation in the reopened proceeding is essential to the public interest.

We note that the closing paragraph of Joint Intervenor's Request raises the issue of funding the participation of Dr. Trifunac and Dr. Luco. We believe the participation of these experts is of such importance that, if the NRC were itself unwilling to fund their participation, we most seriously would

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consider providing such funding to the NRC, to the two named experts directly, or as otherwise deemed appropriate by the Board.

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