

February 10, 1981



Mr. John Ahearne  
Chairman  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D. C. 20555

Dear Chairman Ahearne:

Diablo Canyon Nuclear Plant is a name I hear more often than my own and I respond to those words with as much pride or anger as I would to a personal reference. I am part of a community activities department assigned to Diablo Canyon.

Today, I react in anger. Unfortunately for you, I direct my frustration to you. You are the symbol of the regulatory process which has become bogged down in endless hearings.

This letter may follow many of its predecessors down a long hall to a round file. Or it may actually reach you.

Please, Mr. Ahearne. How can more hearings help our customers who now are staggering under the many fists of inflation? How can more hearings reinforce a plant already overloaded with bolts and braces and technical bodies? How will more public hearings make clear to the public the real issues at stake?

The public in the majority is for licensing the plant. Yet persistent attorneys for a gaggle of opposition succeed in tying us up. Over and over and over.

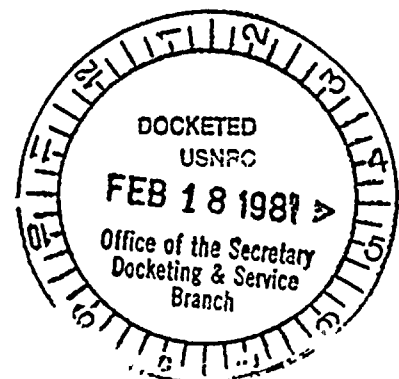
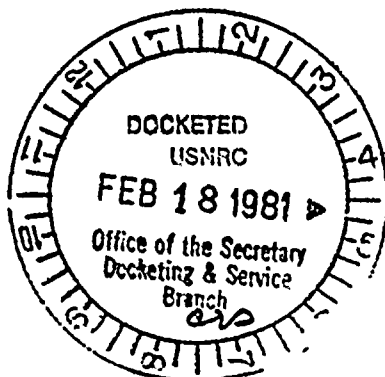
Please Mr. Ahearne, help us get that plant going. Perhaps all of us can feel pride again.

Sincerely,

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