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Dear Mr. Dircks:

Pursuant to your telephone conversation of today with my legislative assistant, Catherine Cooke, I have fowarded to you under separate cover documents which have been received by me related to the Diablo Canyon nuclear plant.

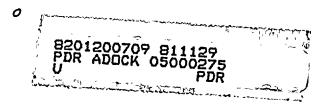
As you know, I received these documents through the House Interior Committee, chaired by Congressman Udall. They were received through a source unknown to myself or my assistant by the Committee staff. Obviously, these are extremely sensitive materials, and I felt that the NRC should be immediately apprised of their existence. In addition, I have enclosed a copy of a portion of the testimony received by the NRC by PG&E and Dr. Cloud which concerns the Preliminary Report for which the NRC has received a heretofore unknown draft copy.

I would appreciate your consideration and attention to these materials, as it is important that the NRC have the opportunity to judge their significance. I appreciate your interest in this matter, and thank you for attention to it. I hope you will feel free to contact my staff member of myself should there be any way in which I can be of assistance to you.

Sincerely

LEON E. PANETTA Member of Congress

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