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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

BEFORE THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

In the Matter of)	Docket Nos.	50-275	O.L.
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY	\(\)		50-323	
(Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, Unit Nos. 1 and 2))	(Low Power Test Proceeding)		

PACITIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY'S ANSWERS
TO INTERROGATORIES AND DOCUMENT PRODUCTION REQUESTS
DATED FEBRUARY 20, 1981 OF GOVERNOR EDMUND G. BROWN, JR.

Answers to Interrogatories

Interrogatory 1: Do you contend that the combined PG&E, state and local emergency response plans for Diablo Canyon presently comply with the revised emergency planning regulations promulgated by the NRC on August 19, 1980, 45 Fed. Reg. 55402?

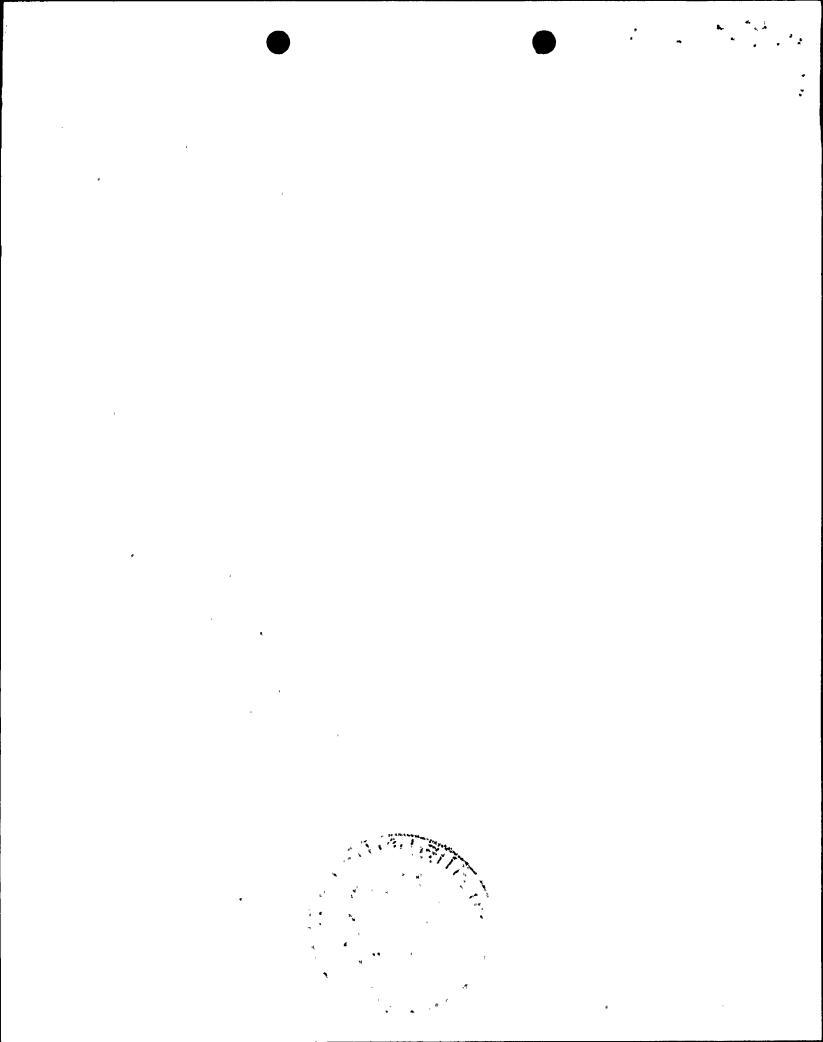
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Interrogatory 2: If the answer to Interrogatory 1 is affirmative, specify each and every fact which supports this position and identify all documents, including state, local and PG&E emergency response plans, which support this position or otherwise relate to compliance with the NRC's revised emergency planning regulations.

Not applicable.



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Interrogatory 3: If the answer to Interrogatory 1 is negative, does PG&E contend that PG&E can be granted the requested fuel loading and low power licenses and undertake low power testing without compliance with the NRC's revised regulation? Explain the basis of any such position, including identification of all documents relating to this position.

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Yes. The basis for PGandE's position in this matter was contained in our February 27, 1981, letter to Harold Denton which requested relief from items III.A.l.l and III.A.2 of NUREG-0737. Technical discussions on the safety aspects of low power testing are contained in our February 6, 1981, letter to F. J. Maraglia, and in Supplements 10 and 12 to the Safety Evaluation Report prepared by the NRC Staff for Diablo Canyon.

Interrogatory 4: Does PG&E contend that the state, local and Applicant emergency response plans for Diablo Canyon satisfy the requirements set forth at page 2-11 of NUREG-0737, specified as clarification items III.A.1.1, III.A.1.2, and III.A.2?

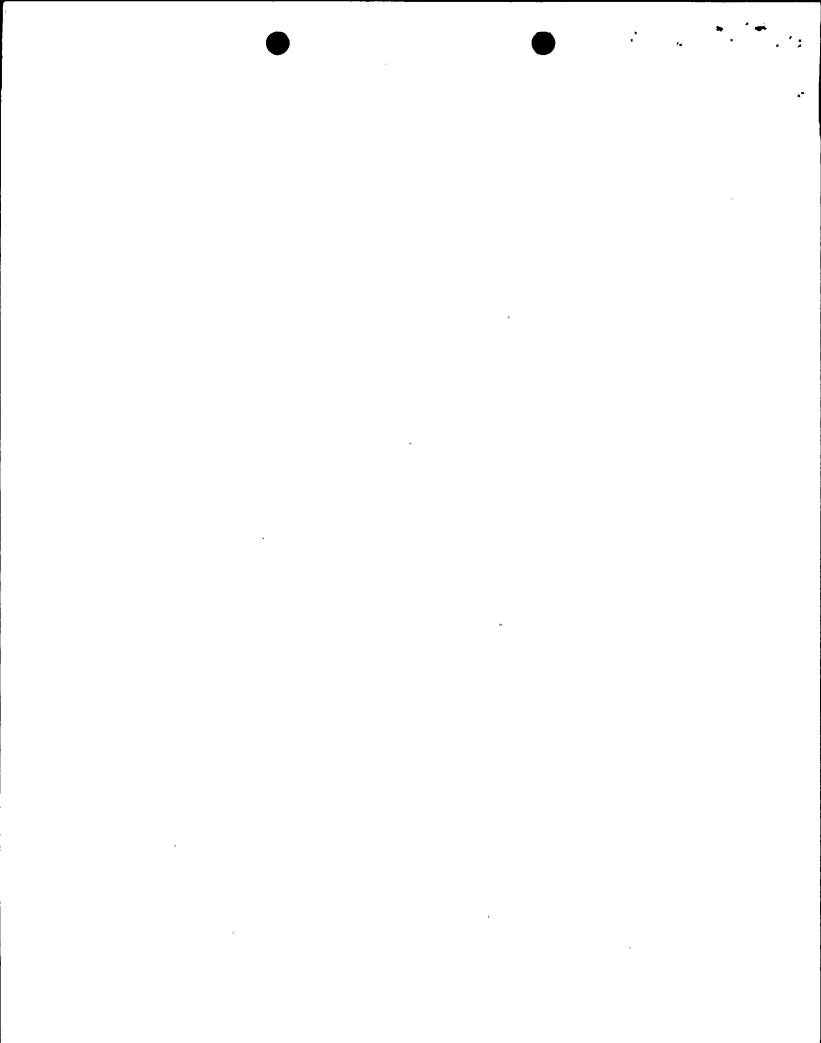
PGandE does not contend that it meets the requirements of III.A.1.1 and III.A.2 of NUREG-0737. Item III.A.1.2 of NUREG-0737 does not establish requirements for fuel loading.

Interrogatory 5: If the answer to Interrogatory 4 is affirmative, specify each and every fact which supports this position and identify all documents which relate to compliance with these requirements.

Not applicable.

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Interrogatory 6: What system does PG&E propose to install to measure water level in the Diablo Canyon reactor vessel? Describe the



system, including identification of all related documents, and explain when the system will be installed.

The system which PGandE proposes to install to measure the water level in the Diablo Canyon reactor vessel is described in our February 6, 1981 proprietary submittal to the NRC. This submittal was made in response to action item II.F.2 of NUREG-0737. A non-proprietary version has been served to the parties. This system will be completely installed and operable prior to fuel load.

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Interrogatory 7: What is status of qualification tests and analyses of Diablo Canyon relief and safety valves? Describe the qualification program(s) which PG&E has undertaken or in which PG&E is participating, including identification of all documents relating to the program(s), and explain when the tests and analyses will be complete.

PGandE is a participant of the EPRI program to conduct qualification tests on relief and safety valves of the type to be used at Diablo Canyon Power Plant. The relief and safety valve qualification program and its status is described and documented in the EPRI documents listed below:

1. EPRI Report titled "Program Plan for the Performance Testing of PWR Safety and Relief Valves", Rev. 1, July 1, 1980.

As described in the Report, the purpose of this program is to evaluate the safety and design characteristics of pressurized water reactor safety and relief valves. This program is responsive to NUREG-0737, Item II.D.1, "Performance Testing for BWR and PWR Safety and Relief Valves", and is focused on the key issues associated with PWR Safety and Relief Valve system performance. The Report outlines a comprehensive experimental and analytical program which will evaluate valve operability and provide sufficient data to confirm methods for predicting safety and relief valve discharge piping loads. The experimental program described in this report includes full-scale tests of actual PWR relief and safety valves. Available data and experience from foreign relief valve test programs will be utilized to minimize potential delays in the experimental program.

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2. EPRI Report titled "PWR Safety and Relief Valve Test Program: Description and Status", February, 1981.

This report provides a description and status of the overall program to date. This Report also discusses the program organization, the ongoing testing, the analytical effort, and the technical support activities.

A summary of the testing completed to date is as follows:

- 1. PORVs: Ten PORVs have been steam tested at Marshall Steam Station. The valves have been sent to Combustion Engineering at Windsor, Connecticut for further testing. This will be completed by 7/1/81. Data on steam testing has been sent to EPRI for the final report.
- 2. <u>Safety Valves</u>: No safety valves have been tested. Testing of 6 valves starts 4/1/81 and is to be completed by 7/1/81.

The testing program for PORVs and safety valves as required by the NRC will be complete 7/1/81. The manufacturers and models of the PORV and safety valves used at Diablo Canyon are represented in the EPRI testing program.

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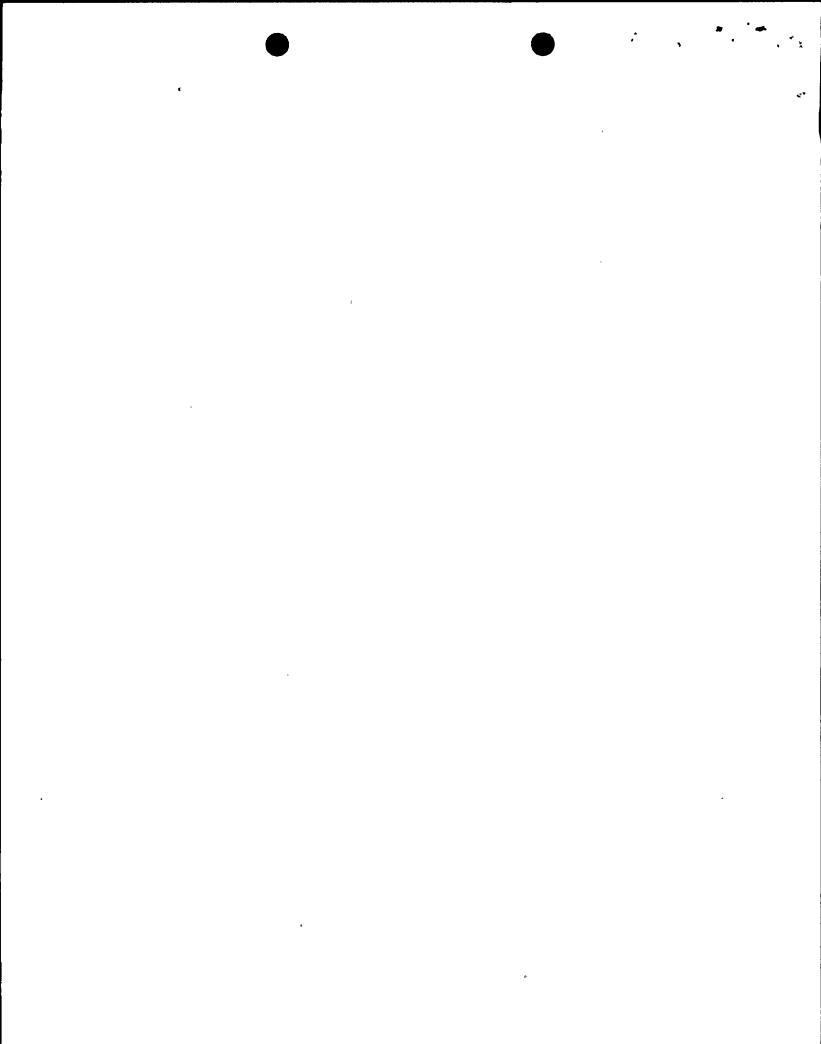
Request 1: All documents identified in response to Interrogatories 1-7, above.

Applicant objects to the form of this Document Production Request. Among other things, 10 C.F.R. §2.741(c) provides that "[t]he request shall specify a reasonable time, place, and manner of making the inspection Governor Brown's "Request" is devoid of any such specification. Additionally, the respondent to a request has 30 days within which to respond after the service of the request pursuant to §2.741(d). Applicant will therefore respond to Governor Brown's request by no later than March 27, 1981.

Request 2: All other documents in PG&E's possession or control, or in the control of PG&E's employees, agents or contractors, which relate to emergency response planning for Diablo Canyon.

Same as response to Request number 1.

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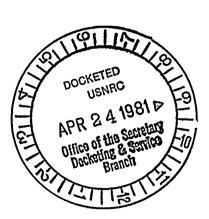
I am duly authorized and did prepare the answers to Governor Brown's Interrogatories 1 through 5, dated March 11, 1981. They are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of April, 1981

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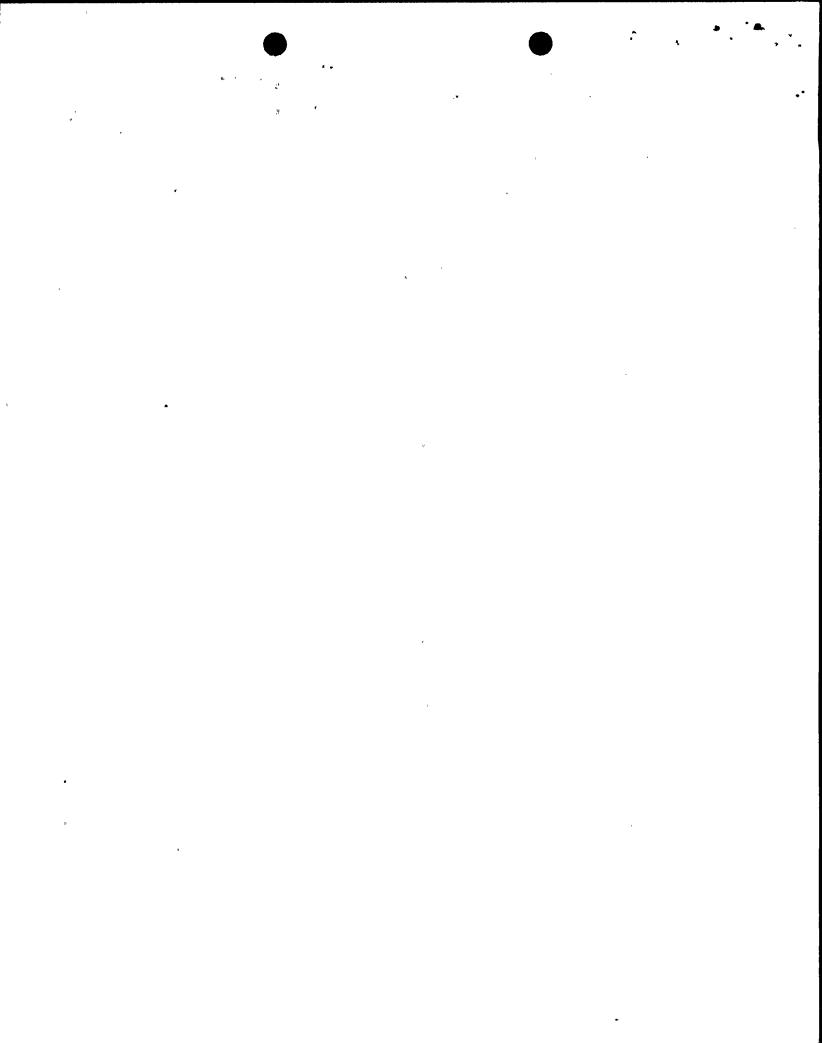
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