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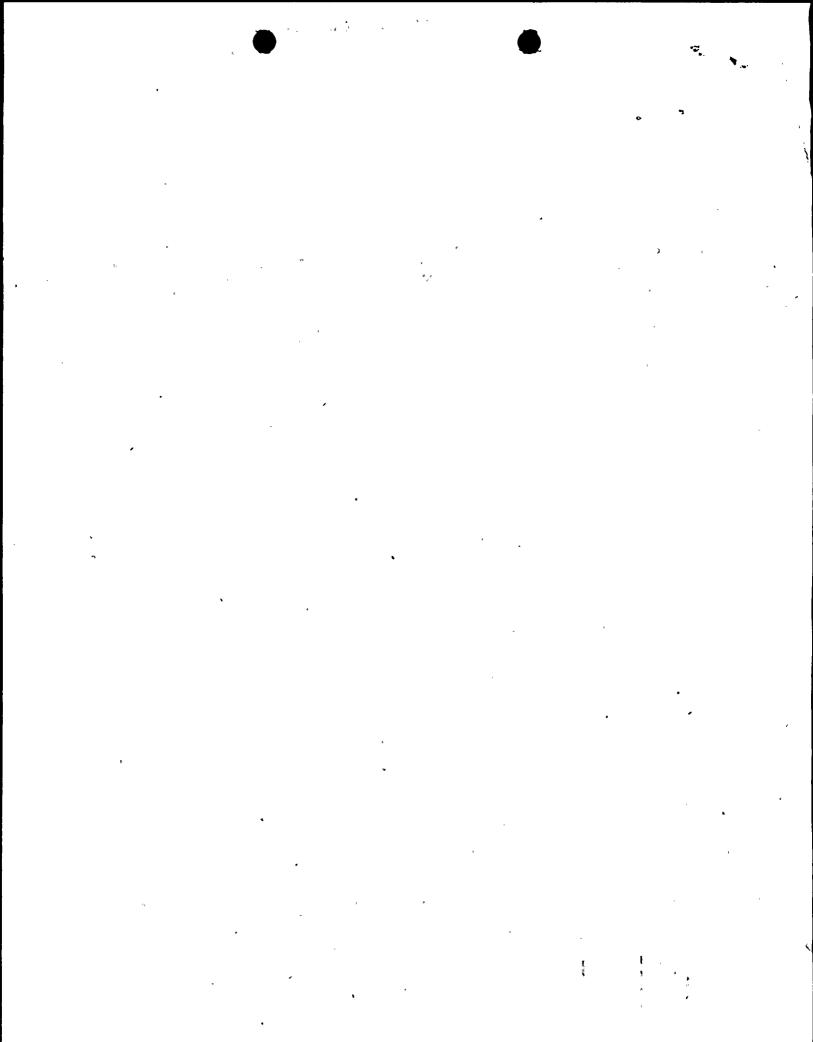
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Diablo Canyon Units 1 and 2
Severe Accident Management Implementation

Dear Commissioners and Staff:

Industry guidance for implementing severe accident management activities was issued by the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) in the current revision of NEI 91-04, "Severe Accident Issue Closure Guidelines." In PG&E Letter DCL-95-067, dated March 27, 1995, PG&E notified the NRC that we would complete our assessment of severe accident management capabilities and make identified enhancements to the program by December 31, 1997. PG&E has fulfilled this commitment with implementation of the following actions:

- Procedure/guidance development and training for emergency response personnel have been completed.
- Mechanisms are in place for periodic self-assessments and for including updated information (from plant changes or new external knowledge) affecting severe accident management implementation.
- An initial self-assessment has been performed and identified changes and enhancements have been accomplished.

Each of these actions addresses the recommendations of NEI 91-04. As noted above, PG&E has established procedures, guidelines, and programmatic

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controls to ensure that an effective severe accident management capability has been developed and will be maintained. PG&E plans to enhance our severe accident management capability in 1998, primarily in the area of operator training.

Sincerely,

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