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SUBJECT: Requests relief from 10CFR50.55a(g)(4), by specifying that ASME Boiler & Pressure Vessel Code, Section XI, 1977 edition w/addenda through summer 1978, effective 801101, be applicable code for first 10-yr inservice insp interval.

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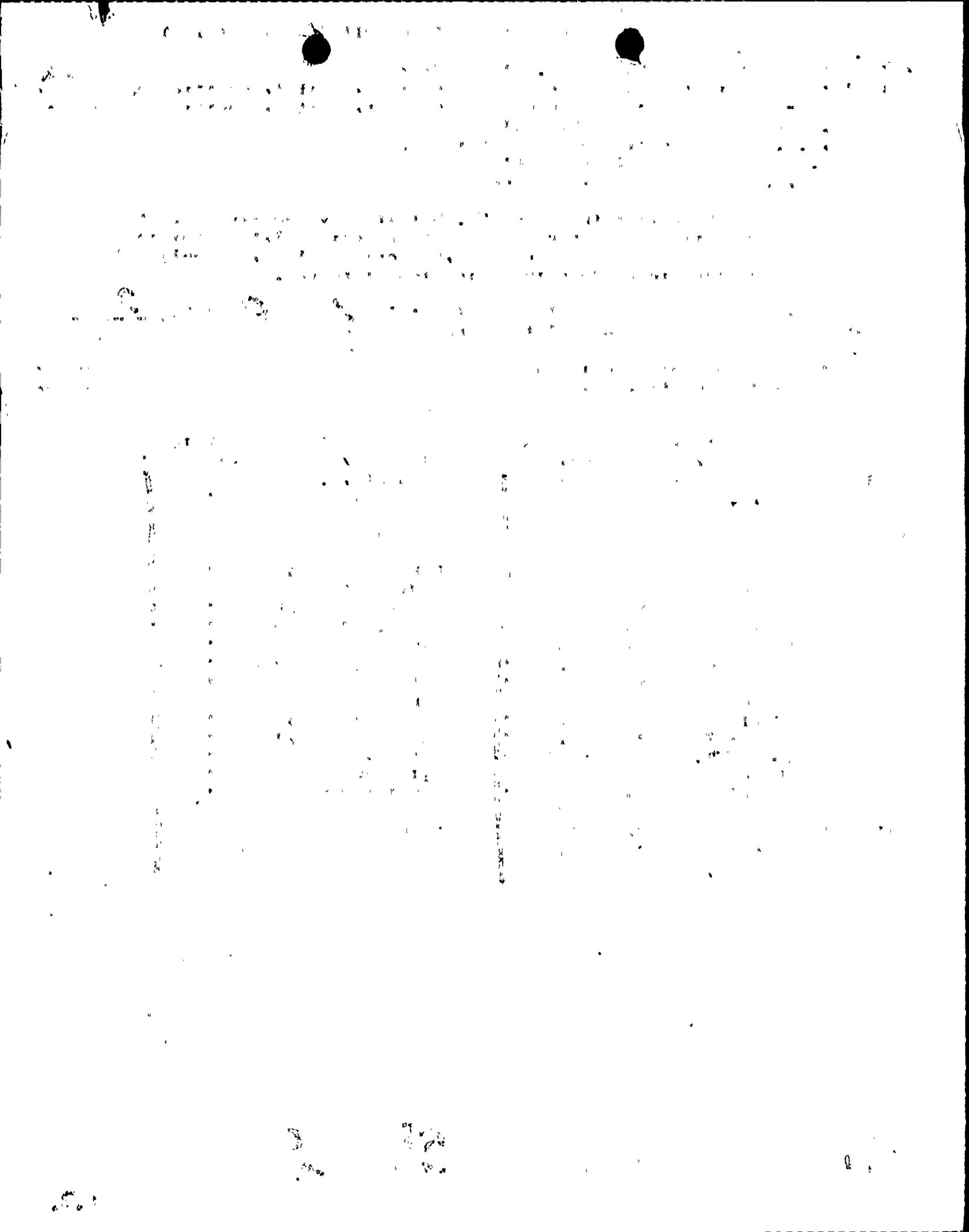
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Re: Docket No. 50-275
Docket No. 50-323
Diablo Canyon Units 1 and 2

Dear Mr. Miraglia:

Several delays in obtaining an operating license coupled with a number of changes in the federal regulations concerning inservice inspection have created an almost continual update of the inservice inspection and testing programs and related preservice examinations at the Diablo Canyon Power Plant.

Preservice examinations were first conducted in 1975 (Unit 1) and 1976 (Unit 2). Since that time considerable effort has been expended in updating the inservice inspection and testing programs to reflect the revised requirements and in re-establishing baseline data.

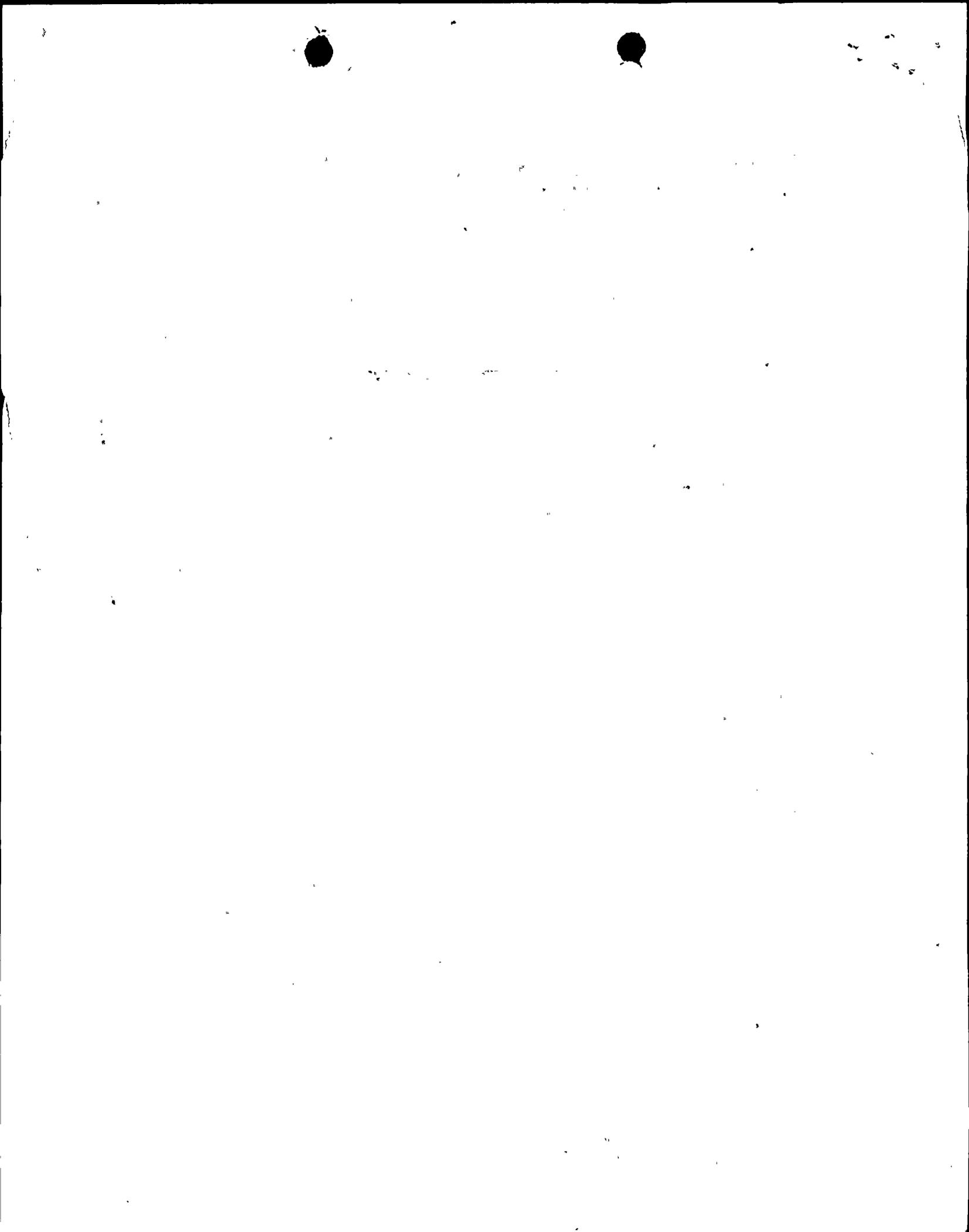
On November 1, 1979, the inservice inspection and testing requirements, as established by 10 CFR 50.55a (b) (2) and (g), were again revised. With projected schedules for commercial operation of Summer-1981 (Unit 1) and Spring-1982 (Unit 2) the inservice inspection and testing programs for the facilities must be updated again. Moreover, Diablo Canyon is a two-unit site and if the requirements of 10 CFR 50.55a (g) (4) were followed verbatim, different requirements for inservice inspection and testing could apply to each unit, since the units will have different dates of license issuance.

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To preclude having differing programs for the two units, and to eliminate the need for continuously updating the inservice inspection program prior to commercial operation, Pacific Gas and Electric Company requests relief from 10 CFR 50.55a (g) (4), by specifying that the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section XI, 1977 edition with addenda through Summer-1978, which was effective November 1, 1980, be the applicable code for the first 10-year inservice inspection interval of Diablo Canyon Units 1 and 2. The first inspection interval for each unit will begin when that unit is placed in commercial operation.

Very truly yours,

Philip A. Grono, ✓

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