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UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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Docket No. 70-754

Mr. W. Andrew Baldwin
Legal Director
Friends of the Earth
124 Spear Street
San Francisco, California 94105

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

The purpose of this letter is to respond to your request under 10 CFR 2.206 to suspend the activities under License No. SNM-960, Docket No. 70-754, at the General Electric Company's Vallecitos Nuclear Center and remove all plutonium from the site. Congressmen Ronald F. Dellums and John Burton, California Assemblyman Thomas Bates and other California residents joined your request. For the reasons stated in the enclosed response to your request, we have determined not to suspend the license at this time.

As you requested, we will provide you with a copy of the structural analyses applicable to the SNM-license review when the reports are finalized. The normal operating inventory of radioactive materials that are in forms conducive to release is contained in the General Electric's submittals which you have referenced in your petition. These quantities are the only values which are appropriate for release calculations. Since you already possess this data, it is unnecessary to transmit an additional copy.

A copy of this determination will be placed in the Commission's Public Document Room at 1717 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20555 and at the local reading room for the Vallecitos Nuclear Center located at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region V, Office of Inspection and Enforcement, 1990 N. California Boulevard, Suite 202, Walnut Creek, California 94596. A copy will also be filed with the Secretary of the Commission for review in accordance with 10 CFR 2.206(c) of the Commission's regulations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "W. J. Dircks".

William J. Dircks, Director
Office of Nuclear Material Safety
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Enclosure: Director's Decision
Under 10 CFR 2.206

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