

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

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Docket No. 70-754

General Electric Company ATTN: Mr. R. W. Darmitzel, Manager Irradiation Processing Product Section Vallecitos Nuclear Center P. O. Box 460 Pleasanton, CA 94566

Gentlemen:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the response to the Friends of the Earth's petition of December 14, 1978. The Friends of the Earth had requested that the Commission suspend activities under License No. SNM-960 at the General Electric Company's Vallecitos Nuclear Center and remove all plutonium from the site pending public hearings on future activities under the license at Vallecitos. For the reasons stated in the enclosed response to the Triends of the Earth's petition, we have determined not to suspend the license or seek removal of plutonium from the Vallecitos site at this time.

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,

William J. Dircks, Director Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

Enclosure: Response to the Friend's of the Earth's petition with enclosure

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Identical letter sent to those on attached list. (original signed copy)

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