



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

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Sacramento Municipal Utility District  
Attn: Mr. Wm. C. Walbridge  
General Manager  
6201 S Street - Box 15830  
Sacramento, California 95813

Gentlemen:

By letter dated March 4, 1980, you withdrew an application dated February 1, 1980, which requested an exemption from 10 CFR 50.46 until improvements to the emergency core cooling system could be made for the Rancho Seco Nuclear Generating Station. By letter dated February 22, 1980, your company remitted a Class III fee of \$4,000 for the February 1 application. The Nuclear Reactor Regulation Review staff has advised us that no action on your February 1 application had commenced.

Under the provisions of 170.12(a), the Commission may retain fees for withdrawn applications; however, since the Nuclear Reactor Regulation Review staff has advised us that no review of your application was started, we have concluded that an exemption pursuant to 170.11(b) from the fee requirements is hereby authorized by law and is otherwise in the public interest. On this basis, we have authorized our Office of the Controller to refund a sum of \$4,000 to your company. The refund will be sent to you as soon as it can be processed by the Controller's office.

Sincerely,

*W. O. Miller*

William O. Miller, Chief  
License Fee Management Branch  
Office of Administration

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