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Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
1717 "H" Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Honorable Commissioners:

I would like to call to your attention some alarming information which was recently passed on to me. This data, if accurate, would call into further question the viability of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station.

Evidently, Unit 1 does not meet the earthquake standards called for under NRC guidelines and the predictions of possible quake in the San Onofre vicinity. Units 2 and 3 are up to standard, yet the older, more vulnerable Unit 1 is not.

Further, Unit 1 is also subject to considerable "embrittlement" that would make the Unit even more fragile in the event of an earthquake.

I am greatly concerned about the safety of my constituents and I am not convinced that the condition of San Onofre Unit 1 would merit my confidence.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

JIM BATES  
Board of Supervisors  
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