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Docket No. 50-361

Southern California Edison Company
2244 Walnut Grove Avenue
Rosemead, California 91770

Attention: Dr. L. T. Papay, Vice President
Advanced Engineering

Gentlemen:

Subject: NRC Inspection - San Onofre Unit 2

This refers to the routine inspection conducted by Mr. G. P. Yuhas of this office on August 2-6, 1982 of activities authorized by NRC License No. NPF-10, and to the discussion of our findings held by Mr. Yuhas with Mr. H. B. Ray and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during this inspection are described in the enclosed inspection report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

No items of noncompliance with NRC requirements were identified within the scope of this inspection. However, we are concerned about the findings discussed in paragraph 4.C.2 of the enclosed report. In March, 1982 our inspector specifically identified the need for positive access control to the reactor cavity area once the facility began operating. In addition, we would expect that your own radiation protection program would identify and control such potentially hazardous areas. There were no indications from the current inspection that any action had been taken or was likely to be taken to secure the cavity area prior to increasing reactor power level. This situation appears to us to represent a breakdown in your controls to assure the safety of employees. Accordingly, we request you to reply to this letter. In your reply, please address the following points: (1) what oversights occurred that caused the cavity area access to be uncontrolled; (2) what actions have you taken or plan to take to identify and assure other potentially hazardous areas are adequately controlled. We request you to reply within thirty days of the date of this letter.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room unless you notify this office, by telephone, within ten days of the date of this letter and submit written application to withhold information contained therein within thirty days of the date of this letter. Such application must be consistent with the requirements of 2.790(b)(1).

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Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be glad to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
G. S. SPENCER

G. S. Spencer, Chief
Division of Radiological Safety
and Safeguards Program

Enclosure:
Inspection Report
No. 50-361/82-26

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