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July 15, 1983

Mr. Darrell G. Eisenhut, Director
Division of Licensing
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Re: Docket No. 50-133, OL-DPR-7
Humboldt Bay Power Plant Unit No. 3
Decommissioning Decision

Dear Mr. Eisenhut:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company has recently decided to decommission Humboldt Bay Power Plant Unit 3. The unit has been shut down since 1976, and an updated economic analysis indicates that it would not be economically feasible to restart the unit.

PGandE intends to unload the Humboldt reactor core and store the spent fuel in the spent fuel pool at the site until the Department of Energy has a repository in operation. Further, PGandE will request that the Humboldt Bay Unit 3 Operating License be amended to become a possession-only license in accordance with Regulatory Guide 1.86, "Termination of Operating Licenses". PGandE plans to place the facility in custodial SAFSTOR until final decontamination is performed.

PGandE would like to meet with Staff personnel in August 1983 to discuss decommissioning plans for the facility. We would appreciate your informing us of an acceptable date.

Sincerely,

cc: J. B. Martin, NRC
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