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Docket Nos. 50-361, 50-362

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

Attention: Mr. Kenneth B. Baskin, Vice President
Nuclear Engineering, Safety and Licensing Department

Gentlemen:

Subject: NRC Inspection San Onofre Units 2 and 3

This refers to the special inspection conducted by Mr. G. P. Yuhas of this office on May 6-7, 1984, of activities authorized by NRC License Nos. NPF-10, NPF-15, and to the discussion of our findings held by Mr. Yuhas with Mr. J. G. Haynes 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.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that one of your activities was not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A.

This violation was the result of contributing elements involving operator training, response to alarms, and inadequate procedures. The observations described in the inspection report lead us to believe that your management controls for assuring that the operating staff will recognize and implement your Emergency Plan within acceptable time constraints for this type of unplanned release of airborne radioactive material are in need of improvement. We recognize that you had also concluded the declaration of an "Unusual Event" on May 5, 1984 was not timely and that you have initiated several corrective actions beginning on May 6, 1984. In your response to this Notice of Violation please describe what you believe was the root cause of this violation and what measures you plan to take to address that issue.

Your response to this notice is to be submitted in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201 as stated in Appendix A, Notice of Violation.

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

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

Sincerely,

Original signed by
F. A. Wenslawski

Ross A. Scarano, Director
Division of Radiological Safety and
Safeguards Programs

Enclosures:

- A. Notice of Violation
- B. IE Inspection Report
 - Nos. 50-361/84-14
 - 50-362/84-14

cc w/o Enclosure B:

- D. J. Fogarty, Executive Vice President
- H. B. Ray, Vice President & Site Manager
- J. G. Haynes, Station Manager
- P. O. Box 128, San Clemente, CA

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