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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: Document Control Desk
Washington, D.C. 20555

Gentlemen:

Subject: **Docket Nos. 50-361 and 50-362**
Amendment Application Nos. 153 and 137
Storing Nuclear Fuel
San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station, Units 2 and 3

Enclosed are Amendment Application Numbers 153 and 137 to Facility Operating Licenses NPF-10 and NPF-15, respectively, for the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station Units 2 and 3. These amendment applications consist of Proposed Change Number (PCN)-449. PCN-449 is a request to revise post PCN-299 (Technical Specification Improvement Program) Technical Specification (TS) Section 4.3 "Fuel Storage" to allow fuel assemblies having a maximum U-235 enrichment of 4.8 weight percent (w/o) to be stored in both the spent fuel racks and the new fuel racks.

Additionally, TS Section 3.7.18 "Spent Fuel Assembly Storage," Figures 3.7.18-1 "Unit 1 Fuel Minimum Burnup vs Initial Enrichment for Region II Racks," and 3.7.18-2 "Units 2 and 3 Fuel Minimum Burnup vs. Initial Enrichment for Region II Racks," are being revised and relabeled. A single value is being provided as a burnup limit for unrestricted storage of Unit 1 spent fuel assemblies in Region II rack locations. Another single value is being provided as a burnup limit for storage of Unit 1 spent fuel in the Region II peripheral rack locations. Therefore, the current Figure 3.7.18-1 is being replaced with a curve applicable to Units 2 and 3 fuel assemblies and relabeled appropriately.

Revisions to the Bases for TS Sections 3.7.17 and 3.7.18 are also provided for information.

These license amendment applications are estimated to realize a cost savings in excess of \$100,000 over the remaining life of the San Onofre Units. As such, this license amendment request is considered a Cost Beneficial Licensing Action (CBLA).

Approval of these Amendment applications is requested by August 31, 1996, to support fuel receipt scheduled to begin in September 1996. This request only allows storage of 4.8 w/o fuel in the new fuel racks and the spent fuel racks.

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If required, additional technical specification changes may be requested for use of the 4.8 w/o enriched fuel for Cycle 9 operation following completion of the Cycle 9 core reload analysis.

Southern California Edison requests these amendments be issued effective as of its date of issuance and be implemented within 30 days from the date of issuance. This will provide adequate time for the necessary procedure changes and training on the new Technical Specifications.

If you need additional information on this Technical Specification change request, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'R. M. Smith'.

Enclosure

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