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Re: Nuclear plant licensing - when will the N.R.C. again start licensing nuclear plants.

Dear sir,

It has come to my attention that there are several nuclear power stations which are ready to generate electricity, but they have not received the necessary licenses to start generating power and as such these plants capacity sits idle. The plants I am referring to are both units at Diablo Canyon California and the undamaged unit at Three Mile Island. Electricity prices are high enough without keeping available plants from operating at capacity. When is the N.R.C. going to again start issuing licenses? Could you also provide information as to the cost associated with keeping these plants idle? Please include any recent progress reports on reactor licensing. If you don't plan to issue any new licenses in this year I would appreciate knowing how you justify your budget.

From what I have seen there is already a consensus of technical review agencies that agree these plants can be operated safely as plants of similar design have been licensed to operate. I can see no reason that ratepayers should pay for high cost replacement power, when a low cost, safe alternative exists.

Reply to the questions raised at the end of the first paragraph requested.  
Sincerely,

Carl Gausewitz

cc: Hon. Tom Beville

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