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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: David Matthews, Branch Chief
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SUBJECT: Docket Nos. 50-361 and 50-362
Alternate Approach for Thermal Power Measurements
San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station, Units 2 & 3

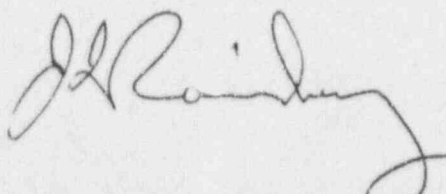
Reference: Improved Thermal Power Accuracy and Plant Safety While Increasing
Operating Power Level Using the LEFM System," Caldon Topical
Report No. ER-80P, submitted to the NRC on March 10, 1997

Dear Mr. Matthews:

The referenced report was submitted to allow the NRC to review and approve an alternate approach for Thermal Power measurements associated with more accurate feedwater flow measurements, the Caldon Leading Edge Flow Measurement (LEFM) System. Southern California Edison (Edison) supports the topical report review by the NRC to provide the option for power increases when using the new approach. Also, Edison believes that safety can be improved by the more accurate LEFM system coupled with on-line verification capabilities.

If you have any questions on this information, please call me.

Sincerely,



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