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| 4 | PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC |) | Docket No. 50-2750LF |
| | COMPANY |) | Docket No. 50-323 |
| 11 | Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power | ; | (Spent Fuel Pool Reracking) |
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ANSWER OF PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY (PGandE) TO PETITIONS FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

On January 13, 1986 the Nuclear Regulatory Commission 10 (NRC) published in the Federal Register (51 F.R. 1451) a 11 Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendments 12 to Facility Operating Licenses DPR-80 and DPR-82 for Diablo 13 Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, Units 1 and 2, Respectively, and 14 Proposed No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination 15 and Opportunity for Hearing (the Notice). 16 The Notice concerned PGandE's proposed license amendments to increase 17 the Unit 1 and Unit 2 spent fuel storage capacity by 18 reracking the spent fuel storage pools. The Notice provided 19 that any person whose interest may be affected by the 20 proceeding and who wishes to participate as a party must 21 file a written petition for leave to intervene. In response 22 to the Notice such petitions were filed by the San Luis 23 Obispo Mothers For Peace, the Santa Lucia Chapter of the 24 Sierra Club, and an organization called Consumers Organized 25 for Defense of Environmental Safety (CODES). 26

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At this stage of the proceeding PGandE intends to 1 respond only to the CODES petition. The petition alleges 2 that CODES "has exhibited a long term interest in the safety 3 and costs of Diablo Canyon", but does not allege how they have evidenced this "long term interest" other than by participating in the Diablo Canyon rate case now pending before the California Public Utilities Commission. Clearly this falls short of the requirement of 10 CFR 2.714(d)(1) that the petition set forth the nature of petitioner's right under the Act to be made a party to the proceeding.

The petition also alleges that members of CODES are 12 "... residents, property owners, ratepayers, taxpayers and 13 workers in an area impacted by the facility at issue ... " in 14 this proceeding. However, no names or addresses of members 15 of CODES are specified, and the phrase "area impacted by the 16 facility" is hopelessly imprecise. The only name given is 17 of the person who signed the petition as "Co-ordinator", but 18 her address is not given nor is there any indication of her 19 authority to act on behalf of CODES, allegedly a California 20 corporation. In short, the petition contains nothing to 21 indicate the *nature and extent of the petitioner's 22 property, financial, or other interest in the proceeding" as 23 24 required by 10 CFR 2.714(d)(2).

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The third requirement of 10 CFR 2.714(d) concerns the 1 possible effect of any order which may be entered in the 2 proceeding on petitioner's interest. Presumably this is 3 intended to be addressed in the vague allegation "fearing 4 personal and property damage and loss should an error on the 5 part of the licensing body be made." However, there is no 61 indication of what personal and property damage and loss is 7 being referred to or what the "error" by the licensing board 8 might be. Further, there is no specific allegation of harm 9 to identifiable individuals. In short, there is no showing 10 how the petitioner or its members might be adversely 11 affected by operation of the plant after adoption of the 12 proposed license amendments. 13

15 Finally, the petition contains a number of conclusory 16 statements about the Hosgri Fault and other matters which 17 have nothing to do with the issues involved in this 18 proceeding.

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| 1 | For all these reas | sons PGandE submits that the CODES |
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| 2 | petition for leave to | intervene is fatally defective and |
| 3 | should be denied. | |
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