



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

June 12, 1984

Hearings

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman Palladino
Commissioner Gilinsky
Commissioner Roberts
Commissioner Asselstine
Commissioner Bernthal

FROM: Carlton Kammerer, Director
Office of Congressional Affairs

SUBJECT: MATERIAL FOR UDALL BRIEFING

Attached are (1) a revised copy of the Chairman's opening remarks, (2) a copy of Harold Denton's opening remarks, (3) a copy of Isa Yin's remarks and (4) Staff responses to Dr. Henry Myers' April 10, 1984 questions.

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6/12/84 5:30 p.m. -- Please replace pages 2 and 3 of the Chairman's opening remarks which were transmitted with the above memorandum with the attached pages.

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MEETINGS ON MARCH 26 AND 27 TO HEAR FROM THE STAFF ON THE STATUS OF DIABLO CANYON UNIT 1 AND, IN PARTICULAR, TO DECIDE WHETHER TO REINSTATE THE LOW-POWER LICENSE TO ALLOW CRITICALITY AND TESTING AT LEVELS UP TO 5 PERCENT OF RATED POWER.

AT THAT TIME, A MEMBER OF THE NRC STAFF, MR. ISA YIN, INFORMED THE COMMISSION THAT, BASED ON HIS FINDINGS FROM HIS INSPECTION ACTIVITIES, HE COULD NOT RECOMMEND TO US THAT THE LOW POWER LICENSE BE REINSTATED. AFTER A THOROUGH EVALUATION OF THESE CONCERNS BY A SPECIALLY ASSIGNED REVIEW GROUP (APPOINTED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS) AND THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS, THE COMMISSION REINSTATED THE LOW-POWER LICENSE ON APRIL 13, 1984.

THE DIABLO CANYON REACTOR SUBSEQUENTLY WENT CRITICAL ON APRIL 29. LOW-POWER TESTING WAS COMPLETED ON MAY 23. ON JUNE 8, PG&E INFORMED US THAT THE PLANT WOULD BE READY FOR POWER ASCENSION ON

AT ESSENTIALLY SUMMARIZES EVENTS UNTIL THE RECEIPT
3 LETTER OF INVITATION. A NUMBER OF ISSUES REMAIN
ED AND ALL MATTERS OF SAFETY SIGNIFICANCE NEED TO
FORE ANY COMMISSION DECISION ON WHETHER TO PERMIT
ATION OF THE DIABLO CANYON PLANT. BECAUSE FULL
IS A MATTER WHICH THE COMMISSION MUST STILL
JUDICATORY CAPACITY AND OUGHT NOT TO APPEAR TO
ANY WAY, I HAVE ASKED MR. DENTON ON BEHALF OF
RT BRIEFLY ON THE STATUS OF THESE REMAINING
HIS PRESENTATION, THE COMMISSION, OR THE
ATE, WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.



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UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

ON

DIABLO CANYON LICENSING CONCERNS

JUNE 14, 1984