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Re: Proposed Decommissioning of
Humboldt Bay Nuclear Power Plant

Dear Mr. Erickson:

We have read the Draft Environmental Statement suggesting that DECON is the only viable alternative in the decommissioning process of our power plant. It states that ENTOMB is impractical in an area where seismic occurrences could rupture the casings. Humboldt County is an area of high seismic activity. How much more dangerous is it to store the liquid waste without entombment?

Our concern is that the DES will be accepted without much debate or further consideration. The DES contains numerous instances of vague language (eg., "There is a negligibly small likelihood that seismic loads would generate critically among fuel assemblies stored in the pool.")

We are hoping that more research will be done into the decommissioning process, and more specific data can be provided about "worst case" environmental impact situations.

Sincerely,

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