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REGION V

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Darrell G. Eisenhut, Director, Division of Licensing, NRR

FROM: Jesse L. Crews, Director, Division of Resident,
Reactor Projects and Engineering Programs

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
ALLEGATIONS BY E. EARL KENT (SAN ONOFRE)

This memorandum is to confirm discussions on the above subject between R. H. Engelken and H. R. Denton and members of my staff (T. W. Bishop/D. F. Kirsch) and the NRR staff (H. Rood/D. Smith).

In the course of RV's special inspection (currently in progress) into allegations by Mr. Kent, we recognized that some could potentially impact upon license issuance for San Onofre Unit 3, and that the resolution of some issues may require technical assistance from NRR.

Attached is a copy of a statement obtained from Mr. Kent which relates his principal allegations.

Harry Rood has been of great help in coordinating NRR assistance in this matter, and has arranged the participation of David Smith. To date, discussions have been held by telephone between my staff and Harry and David to keep them abreast of technical issues as they have developed. An early draft copy of the attached statement was provided to Mr. Rood, and Dennis Kirsch has had numerous telephone discussions with Mr. Smith on these issues.

At the present time, we anticipate the need for NRR technical assistance in the resolution of items (2), (5), (6) and (8) of Mr. Kent's statement.

It is our intention to have a satisfactory resolution on all of the allegations by Mr. Kent prior to license issuance for San Onofre Unit 3, tentatively estimated by Region V as November 15, 1982. Your assistance in this time frame would be appreciated.

We have discussed with Messrs. Rood and Smith the prospect of Mr. Smith accompanying NRR personnel on a planned visit to the San Onofre site on November 3, 1982. At that time, Mr. Kirsch will be in a position to provide a substantial amount of technical information related to the issues for which NRR assistance is requested. This visit will also provide an opportunity for additional discussion with SCE and Bechtel personnel relative to these issues, should that be necessary.

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Your cooperation in this matter on relatively short notice is appreciated.
Should you have questions, please give me a call.

T. W. B. [Signature]
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Attachment
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Dear Mr. Kirsch:

SUBJECT: Transmittal of SCE/Bechtel Audit Package Regarding
Allegations by Mr. E. Earl Kent
San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station, Units 1, 2 & 3

As we discussed, the enclosed subject data package is submitted for your inspection planning purposes during your upcoming investigation at San Onofre.

It is understood that the NRC is required to perform an investigation once Mr. Kent made contact with you on October 6, 1982.

If you require any other data prior to the NRC inspection please contact me or D. B. Schone.

Very truly yours,

D. B. Schone for

J. M. Curran
Manager, Quality Assurance

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Enclosure

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