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May I present for your consideration a possible solution to some problems the Pacific Gas & Electric Co. is causing in the San Francisco bay area?

The first problem arose by PG & E's insistence on operating a nuclear power reactor on Bodega Head. As a resident of Berkeley I object to it because it is on a fault line (considered inactive) and adjacent (about 1000') to a fault known to be active; in case of trouble the prevailing winds which come from the direction of Bodega could shower Berkeley with radioactive contamination.

The second problem is that PG & E intends to run a power line through the city of Woodside. I can sympathize with those people who have had to pay a large amount for property, are required to pay tremendous real estate taxes, then have their property devaluated by an ugly string of transmission towers.

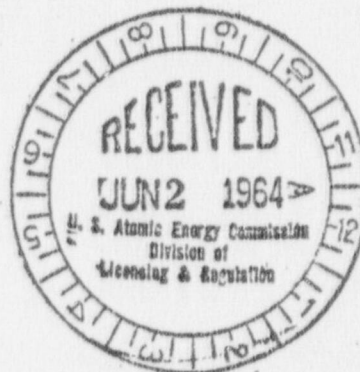
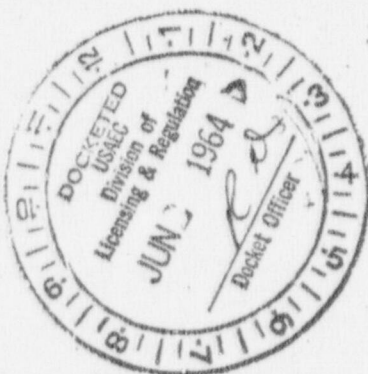
I suggest that PG&E stop work on Bodega Head before they desecrate that area any more, set up the nuclear plant they insist they must have but put it along the peninsula ocean shore directly opposite the proposed 2 mile long accelerator, then run what could be just a short electric power line to the Stanford site. Possible reactor sites could be the mouth of Tunitas Creek, the mouth of San Gregorio Creek, or the mouth of Butano Creek; all are at least 7 miles from the nearest earthquake fault line. By such a move both problems would be solved, - - - Woodside would be bypassed, and the objection to the installation at Bodega Head would be eliminated.

I have just received in the mail a copy of the latest printing of Robert Jacopi's book "California Is Earthquake Country." It is very enlightening; if you are sufficiently interested to read it, in particular the chapter entitled "Bolinas Lagoon to Bodega Head", I would be willing to order a copy to donate to the AEC.

Sincerely yours,

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