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Atomic Energy Commission Washington D.C.

Gentlemen:

We, in Somona County, who wish to save Bodega Head for recreational, scientific and scenic purposes, must approach your Commission with our views on the subject. No doubt, by this time, many letters have reached you.

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It has been proven that Pacific Gas a Electric Company, California, has another site equally adequate for their atomic plant and it has also been proven before the people, and in the press, that the valiant fight being waged against PGas by Rose Guffney, owner of the property along Bodega head, is perfectly right in her cause, with everything on her side. She has a wide and educated vision of the future. She has researched on ownership of property and has found that her own property has been in the one family since California was in possession of the Spaniards and was issued to the family as a Spanish Grant. She has lived there all of her life, studying marine life, searching old Indian mounds. She has collections to prove that Archeologists would find her land valuable. The University of California is interested in preserving the surrounding waters for marine biology purposes. She has offered her valuable collection of Indian artifacts to them if they will establish a museum on the head.

My son, who is an artist, went over the other day to do a painting of the Bodega Head and surrounding waters and who could look at it and not believe it should be retained for beauty alone; that the generations to come should have it left in its natural beauty or, at least, have it protected from industrial destruction: and industry does first destroy. I enclose the clipping from today's Press Democrat with lines underscored showing what I mean.

Mon, too, are people and of the people. When you make a decision we hope you make it from the viewpoint of a citizen as well as a member of a commission. Puture generations will thank you if you do.

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