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Greetings: On November 8, 2018, [\[1\]](#) NRC Special Inspection Team Leader Eric Simpson stated at an NRC San Onofre Special Inspection Webinar: On August 3rd, a [nuclear waste] canister made contact, and rested on [a] shield ring at the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station. (August 3rd Event) ** Mr. Simpson reported, the canister load was unsupported by lifting equipment for approximately 53 minutes.

Mr. Simpson further told the November 8 Webinar that the notification rule [10CFR 72.75(d) (1)] required San Onofre to notify the NRC within 24 hours when important-to-safety equipment is disabled, or fails to function as designed. Simpson stated that contrary to this rule, San Onofre failed to make proper NRC notification of the August 3rd event to the NRC Operation Center, until September 14th.

Please seek find here [\[https://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/ops-experience/songs-spec-insp-activities-cask-loading-misalignment.html\]](https://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/ops-experience/songs-spec-insp-activities-cask-loading-misalignment.html) the audio transcript of Mr. Simpson's comments located on the NRC website as shown here:

- San Onofre Special Inspection Webinar, November 8, 2018:
 - [Slides](#) 
 - [Video](#)  | [Audio Transcript](#)  | [Webinar Chat Room Transcript](#) 

On Thursday November 29, 2018, NRC Regional Administrator, Region IV, Scott Morris told the San Onofre Community Engagement Panel that NRC became “informally” aware of [August 3rd Event] on Monday, August 6th. [Nov 29, 2018, San Onofre Community Engagement Panel 31:10-17]

Mr. Morris explained he was part of that initial call and “we elected to begin daily communications with the facility operator and internally” to determine what next steps we needed to take. [Nov 29, 2018, San Onofre Community Engagement Panel 31:10-17] see, <https://www.songscommunity.com/community-engagement/meetings>

Under FOIA for the period August 3, 2018, and September 14, 2018, please provide to me all records of communications related to the August 3rd Event between NRC agents and agents of the “facility operator” regarding the August 3rd event. We seek these documents in order to inform the public about these important to safety matters at San Onofre. Thank You Mike Aguirre

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