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**Honorable Chairwoman U.S. NCR, Allison MacFarlane
Washington DC**

Chairwoman,

I am writing you this letter in support of SCE's effort to fix and restart the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Power Plant in a limited capacity until engineers can determine the long term fix of the current problems.

I grew up in Orange County in the 50's and 60's and passed the facility on many occasions in traveling to San Diego. I took it for granted that this form of power generation, which is clean, safe and low cost, would be available forever. I took a tour of the facility in my capacity as a new Calimesa City Council member in the 90's and I was impressed with the security and redundant safety measures. In fact, from what I have learned in various Medias, the safety measures by SCE discovered early on the problems which resulted in the current shut down.

I am appalled at the thought of what a permanent shut down would do to air quality, electric reliability and cost. I have not heard of a solution that does not take many years to add new generation facilities and transmission lines. The permitting process alone is costly and would take years to garner the political will (NIMBY) to complete the facilities needed to replace San Onofre.

I represent a City with a large majority of senior citizens many who are dependent on air conditioners in the summer. The increased electric costs and the threat of black or brown outs is not an attractive option for my constituents. Why not listen to proposals by engineers to run a generating unit at a 70% rate to reduce the tube vibration and still generate power? I understand the concern that some people have for nuclear power given some rocky history in the industry (Japan, Russia, etc.), but given the 50 plus years of safe operation by SCE San Onofre and the cautious restart approach by engineers, it is a effort I support.

I have watched with dismay the efforts to run new transmission lines into the region from solar generating facilities in the nearby deserts. Even with the appeal of green energy, which is desired by the public and mandated by the State, the process is long, difficult and costly. We need to prepare for the future and all sources of energy should be developed in case of natural disasters and producing facilities are off line. San Onofre is and has been a main stay in the recent history of Southern California and if safe it should continue into the future.

Please use this letter in any way you choose in your efforts to restart the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Facility.

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