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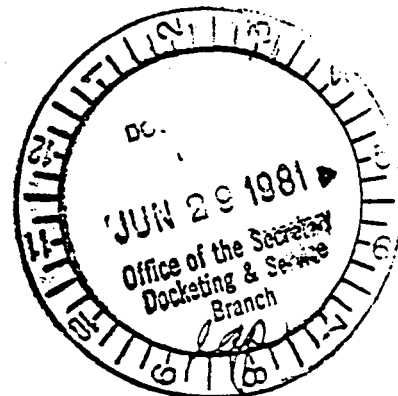
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San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station Units 2 & 3

To Members of the Commission,

This letter is written to respectfully request your approval of the prompt licensing of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station Units 2 and 3.

Because of the effects of the nuclear bomb and the resulting media coverage it received, everything dealing with nuclear power has a bad image. This image has been further distorted by those who, because of moral or ethical beliefs, think the use of nuclear power is wrong. Thus, nuclear power has become a political and emotional issue resulting in an over control of the industry through government regulations.

What would have happened if electricity had been discovered in today's environment of too much government control? Following is a portion of an interview printed in the Industrial Conference Board magazine in which E. Mandell deWidt, Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Eaton Corporation, fantasizes how Thomas Edison would fare today if he introduced his lightbulb to the American marketplace.

"The Securities and Exchange Commission would probe his ties to the Morgans and Vanderbilts who backed the development; the Federal Trade Commission would charge unfair competition against gas lights; the Consumer Product Safety Commission would rule lightbulbs unsafe for children until shockproof electricity was discovered; the Food and Drug Administration would prove that constant exposure to electric light causes glaucoma in two percent of animals tested; the Occupational Safety and Health Administration would close Menlo Park (Edison's laboratory) because of electrical safety hazards;

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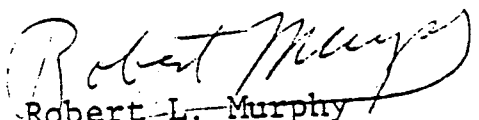
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and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission would demand an affirmative action program."

We may smile as we read the above article and say it couldn't or wouldn't happen here. But it is happening in the effort to use nuclear power as a source of energy. Nuclear energy is vital to our needs here in San Diego County and the country. Nuclear energy is reliable, safe, effective and economically viable.

Please approve the licensing of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station Units 2 and 3 at once.

Thank you,


Robert L. Murphy
Executive Vice President

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