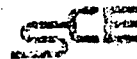


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Office of Inspection and Enforcement  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region V  
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Walnut Creek, California 94506

Dear Mr. Engelken:

Subject: Docket Nos. 50-361 and 50-362  
San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station, Units 2 and 3

This letter confirms verbal notification on July 12, 1979 of a condition identified in construction which is considered reportable in accordance with 10CFR50.55(e). Specifically, Combustion Engineering, Inc., NSSS supplier for San Onofre Units 2 and 3 has advised us that the results of a recently completed small break loss-of-coolant-accident (LOCA) analyses for break sizes 0.01, 0.1 and 1.0 ft<sup>2</sup>, as requested by the Regulatory Staff, met all 10CFR50.46 acceptance criteria, however, additional analyses undertaken by C-E and SCE indicates that the peak clad temperature will exceed 10CFR50.46 limits for a 0.05 ft<sup>2</sup> LOCA.

We are performing an evaluation of the deficiency and will submit a report of our conclusions and action taken in accordance with 10CFR50.55(e). If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

cc: R. J. Pate (NRC-San Onofre Units 2 and 3)  
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