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Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
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Washington, D.C. 20555

Gentlemen:

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

Following the Three Mile Island Incident, Southern California Edison Company and San Diego Gas and Electric Company started an evaluation program directed toward identifying appropriate changes to the design and operation of our San Onofre Nuclear facilities. The evaluation program for San Onofre Units 2 and 3 was discussed in a report entitled "Evaluation and Action Plan for San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station Units 2 and 3 Relative to the Three Mile Island Incident," dated August, 1979. The report was transmitted to you in our letter dated August 16, 1979. Engineering and procurement activities required to implement the commitments contained in that report had already begun at the time of the submittal.

Subsequent to our August 16, 1979 submittal, an NRC letter concerning followup actions resulting from the NRC Staff reviews was issued on September 27, 1979, from D. B. Vassallo to all pending operating license applicants. That letter directed all operating license applicants to amend their applications to incorporate NUREG-0578 recommendations and several additional NRC recommendations. Additional NRC staff clarifications to the requirements defined in the September 27, 1979 letter were issued on November 9, 1979 in a letter from D. B. Vassallo to all pending operating license applicants.

The enclosed report entitled, "Status Report on Followup Actions Resulting from the NRC Staff Reviews Regarding the Three Mile Island Unit 2 Incident," dated December, 1979, presents the results to date of our continuing evaluation and implementation program for San Onofre Units 2 and 3. This report supersedes our August, 1979 report and presents San Diego Gas & Electric Company's and Southern California Edison Company's formal response to the TMI-2 Lessons Learned Task Force Short Term Recommendations as contained in NUREG-0578 and modified by the September 27, 1979 and November 9, 1979 letters identified above. The report was prepared to assist the NRC Staff in their review by redrafting those sections of our initial report corresponding to NUREG-0578

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recommendations to conform to the NUREG-0578 format. The report also addresses the additional TMI recommendations identified in the September 27, 1979 letter and the NRC Staff clarifications identified in the November 9, 1979 letter and further clarifies project procedural and design changes resulting from TMI. The enclosed report also discusses additional evaluations being performed to determine the desirability of design changes beyond those identified in the September 27, 1979 NRC letter.

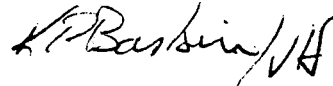
The format and content of the enclosed report was selected for the express purpose of expediting NRC staff review. In order to formally amend our application, we will provide timely FSAR amendments which reflect the subject changes.

While recognizing that material availability and other factors beyond our control may impact the schedules committed to in the attached report, it is nonetheless our intent to complete all work within the realm of physical possibility prior to operating license issuance, and to work closely with your staff to maintain mutually acceptable schedules.

We believe the enclosed report demonstrates San Diego Gas & Electric Company's and Southern California Edison Company's commitment to respond to the NRC's recommendations concerning the Three Mile Island Incident. We will, of course, continue to monitor the activities of industry and regulatory review groups to identify additional items which should be considered in the design and operation of San Onofre Units 2 and 3.

It is respectfully requested that the NRC review of our operating license application and the enclosed report be performed in a timely manner consistent with the issuance of an operating license on November, 1980. Your prompt attention to this request will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. P. Barbin" followed by a stylized flourish or initials.

Enclosure