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General Comment

Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Re: Waste Confidence and proposed Rulemaking - Continued Storage of Spent Nuclear Fuel - (especially at San Onofre)

Thank you for opportunity to submit public comment - However due to the extreme importance of this proposal upon impacted communities, and the limited extent so far of OBJECTIVE media coverage of this proposal for long term storage of spent nuclear fuel, (especially on extremely large population centers within 50 miles of San Onofre = over 8.4 million people, on the unprecedented economic risks, and realistic risks (not a remote risk) of catastrophic damage to local, regional, statewide infrastructure, food and water supply, and the real limit(s) for victims for physical, social, economic recovery from catastrophic losses), it is imperative that NRC should EXTEND THE COMMENT PERIOD for a reasonable time -- until February 28, 2014.

The Mayor and City Council from City of San Clemente just recently adopted a Resolution on December 17, 2013 which resolves :

"City of San Clemente appreciates information in 2013 Waste Confidence Generic Environmental Impact Statement, however City requests a site specific study be done for SONGS (San Onofre) that recognizes; a) the geographic conditions unique to SONGS, B) the dense population surrounding SONGS, and c) that SONGS is being decommissioned. City of San Clemente formally requests the Energy Department create a dry cask storage facility in an area remote from high populations areas to provide safe storage of nuclear waste. Once

complete City of San Clemente requests that spent fuel rods stored onsite at SONGS be relocated to the repository as soon as it is safe to do so. City of San Clemente requests to be included in the SONGS decommissioning process, and also requests NRC to conduct a SITE SPECIFIC IMPACT STUDY at SONGS. San Clemente believes such a study would demonstrate the need for the accelerated removal of nuclear waste to a permanent repository."

In letter from San Clemente Mayor Tim Brown (dated December 18, 2013) to Annette Vietti-Cook (Secretary of NRC), Mayor Brown indicated "....The City Council takes its responsibility to represent and protect our citizens with utmost seriousness. San Clement City Council respectfully requests your consideration of extending public comment period for the Waste Confidence Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement to February 28, 2014 to allow Council sufficient time to review the document".

There are several other cities (San Juan Capistrano, Dana Point, Oceanside) within 20 miles of SONGS, who have also been asked to support the same action taken by San Clemente. Beyond the 20 miles, many other local cities and agencies within 50 miles should also be extended the same courtesy. (I'm asking City of Escondido, where I live).

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