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General Comment

San Clemente is a very different place from what it was when SONGS 2 & 3 were approved. Our population then was about 25K, whereas today it is over 65K. Additionally, all surrounding communities have grown exponentially as well. We wouldn't have been able to successfully evacuate in 1980, and we certainly couldn't evacuate today.

Terrorism was unheard of in 1980. Today, with political unrest and growing tensions around the world, and an influx of radical elements residing within the United States, it is of constant concern and a very real reality as evidenced by 9-11. Having a nuclear waste storage facility amidst such a highly populated area and not far from the border of Mexico that holds the potential to be an attack the United States would never forget, is daunting to even consider.

When you now factor that the area is riddled with fault lines, a few holding the potential for very large seismic events, as well as tsunamis, the stark reality of this areas incompatibility for spent fuel storage is blatant. We have lived with the risks associated with having a now aging nuclear power plant at our back door for more than 30 years.

The time has come to find a site that isn't near a major population hub, isn't on the coast with fragile ecosystems and is away from major fault lines. PLEASE...make the people and families of San Clemente and the surrounding communities your top priority. Relocate the spent fuel to another, more suitable, more sensible area. A San Clemente resident