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LTR. RE. OUR 6-24-76 REQUEST...  
RESPONSE TO REFERENCED REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL  
INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE ATWS.....

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**DISTRIBUTION FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING  
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Gentlemen:

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

This letter is in response to your request of June 24, 1976 requesting additional information for San Onofre, Units 2 and 3, regarding ATWS. The Final Safety Analysis Report, forwarded by SCE's letter of November 30, 1976, describes the approach which is being taken for ATWS. In general, we intend to implement design changes in San Onofre, Units 2 and 3, similar to those proposed in Combustion Engineering's letter to Mr. B. C. Rusche of June 30, 1976. The diverse trip system described in the Combustion Engineering letter would significantly decrease the probability of ATWS and thereby eliminate ATWS as a design consideration requiring plant specific analysis. No additional action will be taken with regard to ATWS until the NRC completes its review and concurs with the Combustion Engineering recommendation.

SCE shares the NRC's desire to move forward in resolving the ATWS concern and conclude the lengthy deliberations on this subject. We look forward to the NRC's action on the Combustion Engineering recommendation for ATWS such that we may resolve this matter for San Onofre Units 2 and 3.

Sincerely yours,

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