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**SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO SER 5500 L LETTER DATED MAY 8, 2018, "RELOCATION OF  
SAN ONOFRE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION SPENT FUEL STORAGE  
FACILITY"**

Dear Lieutenant General Dana:

Thank you for your letter dated May 8, 2018, regarding the United States Marine Corps' commitment to the safety and security of Marines, their families, and civilians working and residing on Marine Corps installations, and your request for the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to support relocating the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) spent fuel to a storage facility off Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton.

In response to your request as discussed during a teleconference call on July 27, 2018 with myself and Major General Coglianese (Commander, Marine Corps Installations Command) and members of our respective staffs, we agreed to continue the dialogue between our organizations regarding the safety and security of the SONGS Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation. As such, we are working to schedule a follow-up meeting sometime in September with Marine Corps leadership to further discuss the NRC's authorities to oversee the safety and security of spent nuclear fuel under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, as well as the NRC's roles and responsibilities under the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, as amended.

Thank you for your interest in the matter of safe and secure storage of spent fuel at SONGS. Should you or your staff have any questions, please contact Mr. Michael Layton, Director, Division of Spent Fuel Management, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, who will be the NRC point of contact for coordination. Mr. Layton may be reached at (301) 415-9956 or [michael.layton@nrc.gov](mailto:michael.layton@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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