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Chairman Nunzio Palladino  
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Dear Chairman Palladino:

I am concerned about the dangers of a premature decision to relicense the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant. Given the history of problems and mistakes at this plant, I ask that you and the Commission hold off making a decision on licensing until the completion and evaluation of the design review you ordered in 1981. Your hearings on design problems will not begin until late October, and the design review will not be completed until sometime after the September 21st date tentatively established for a Commission vote on relicensing.

What will you do if additional plant modifications are required as a result of either the design hearings or the final design review? I understand that modifications must be made prior to plant operation.

A nuclear plant that sits next to an active earthquake fault, in a seismically active area must be subjected to the most rigorous standards if the health and safety of California residents is to be adequately protected. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

*John Garamendi*  
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cc: Governor George Deukmejian  
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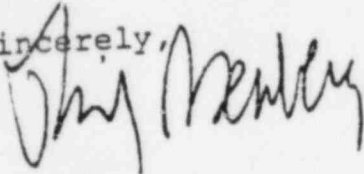
Dear Mr. Palladino:

I understand that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission is scheduled to vote on restoring Pacific Gas and Electric Company's low-power operating permit for Diablo Canyon before the design review of the plant is completed.

This process seems out of sequence and not in the best interest of the public. Furthermore, modification to the plant that may be required as a result of the design review should be made before the plant begins operation.

I urge your commission to withhold a decision on the operating permit until the design review is complete and the findings of the safety hearings have been evaluated.

Sincerely,



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Chairman Nunzio Palladino  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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Dear Chairman Palladino:

I am deeply concerned about the prospect of a premature decision to re-license the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant, on the central coast of California.

The NRC hearings on design problems will not begin until late October, and the design review will not be completed until sometime after the September 21st date tentatively established for a Commission vote on re-licensing. Plant modifications may be required as a result of either the design hearings or the final design review. Those modifications must be made prior to plant operation.

A nuclear plant that sits next to an active earthquake fault, in a seismically active area must be subjected to the most rigorous standards if the health and safety of California residents is to be adequately protected.

Given the history of problems and mistakes at this plant, I implore you to delay issuing a licensing decision until the completion and evaluation of the design review you ordered in 1981.

Sincerely,

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Chairman Nunzio Palladino  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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Dear Mr. Palladino:

I am writing to express my concern that the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant may receive its licence for full-power operation before all safety modifications have been made and reviewed.

While it is unfortunate that Pacific Gas and Electric have been forced to delay the plant's operation, the fact remains that the plant is located on a major and active faultline, and there is simply no excuse to jeopardize the local population for economic reasons.

PG&E's history on the construction of the plant is anything but encouraging. As I am sure you are aware, a decision was made to fire many of the people associated with the plant's construction. But as far as I am concerned, that sort of window dressing cannot substitute for rigorous and objective examination of all safety features of the plant. To simply entrust to PG&E all remaining needed plant modifications after full-power licencing has been granted is to overlook recent history.

I and many of my colleagues believe that this facility should not be given the green light until such time as all safety concerns have been fully answered.

Sincerely,

  
PETER R. CHACON

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cc: Governor George Deukmejian  
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September 7, 1983

Chairman Nunzio Paliadino  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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Dear Chairman Paliadino,

I am deeply concerned over the possibility of re-licensing the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant before all necessary design reviews are completed. I am informed that the plant's owners are understandably eager to begin operation. However, given the long history of serious miscalculations at Diablo Canyon, I cannot comprehend reasoning which would allow licensing without completion of all prescribed study.

As Chairperson of California's Senate Committee on Health and Welfare, I am particularly sensitive to issues with the catastrophic potential of a Diablo Canyon. A nuclear plant located near an active earthquake fault demands every possible safeguard and every prudent consideration of responsible public officials. A project with a 16 year history and 7,500 repairs can certainly be held for a few additional months of study.

I urge your most careful consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

*Diane E. Watson*  
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Chairman Nunzio Paliadino  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

As a California legislator responsible for the health and safety of the residents of my state, I am deeply troubled by the possibility that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission may make a premature decision on the re-licensing of the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant.

To do so before the hearings are held on the many safety questions and design problems that have plagued this project would make a mockery of the entire hearing process.

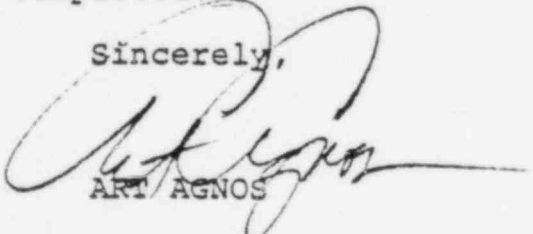
Our overriding concern must be the health and safety of the residents of an area whose seismic activity, in conjunction with a nuclear power plant, comprise a lethal combination.

In our headlong rush to achieve scientific superiority and economic power through the development of nuclear technology, we must not forget that we have a moral responsibility for the lives of our people.

Let us demonstrate that we have learned from the earlier mistakes of this project by putting production schedules aside and proceeding with the caution and care that will earn us the trust of the American people.

I respectfully request that you and the other members of the Commission delay your decision on the re-licensing of this project until the hearings have been completed.

Sincerely,

  
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cc: Governor George Deukmejian



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September 9, 1983

Chairman Nunzio Palladino  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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Dear Mr. Palladino:

I am gravely concerned about the prospect of a premature decision to re-license the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant, on the central coast of California. Given the history of problems and mistakes at this plant, I implore you to hold off on a licensing decision until the completion and evaluation of all safety hearings, and completion and evaluation of the design review you ordered in 1981. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) hearings on design problems will not be begin until late October, and the design review will not be completed until sometime after September 21st date tentatively established for a Commission vote on re-licensing.

Additionally, plant modifications may be required as a result of either the design hearings or the final design review. Those modifications must be made prior to plant operation.

A nuclear plant that sits next to an active earthquake fault, in a seismically active area must be subjected to the most rigorous standards if the health and safety of California residents is to be adequately protected.

Sincerely,

*Maxine Waters*

MAXINE WATERS  
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Chairman Nunzio Palladino  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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Dear Chairman Palladino:

It has come to my attention that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission is scheduled to consider re-licensing Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant on September 13, and will vote on licensing on September 21. However, hearings on serious design errors are not scheduled until late October. I am greatly disturbed by this time line.

It seems highly questionable and premature to consider licensing Diablo Canyon when the plant review and safety hearings are incomplete. As you know, literally hundreds of plant design errors have been discovered in the past year, and a workforce of 6,000 is still scrambling to make modifications to virtually every structure in the plant. Obviously, serious safety questions remain to be answered. Should further flaws surface, corrections will be more difficult, expensive, and most importantly, dangerous, once the plant is radioactive.

To hold licensing hearings in advance of the NRC's own staff review of design errors (not to mention the complete absence of a review of possible construction errors), will serve to further erode the people's confidence that the NRC has the public health and safety at heart. I'm afraid no amount of buttressing will improve P.G.&E.'s credibility given the ten year saga of mismanagement, miscalculations and deception that has plagued Diablo Canyon.



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The public deserves to know that Diablo has been given a complete bill of health before it is licensed. I urge you to delay licensing hearing until after the safety review is completed.

Thank you for consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

*Tom Bates*

THOMAS H. BATES  
Member of the Assembly

cc: Governor George Deukmejian  
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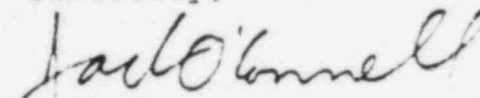
I am gravely concerned about the prospect of a premature decision to re-license the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant.

Given the history of problems and mistakes that have occurred at this plant, I implore you to hold off on a licensing decision until the completion and evaluation of all safety hearings, and the completion and evaluation of the design review you ordered in 1981.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission hearings on design problems will not begin until late October, and the design review will not be completed until sometime after the September 21st date which was tentatively established for a Commission vote on re-licensing. Additionally, plant modifications may be required as a result of either the design hearings or the final design review. Those modifications must be made prior to plant operation.

A nuclear plant that sits next to an active earthquake fault, in a seismically active area must be subjected to the most rigorous standards if the health and safety of California residents is to be adequately protected. Again, I urge you to hold off your licensing decision until adequate safety and design evaluations have been completed.

Sincerely,

  
JACK O'CONNELL

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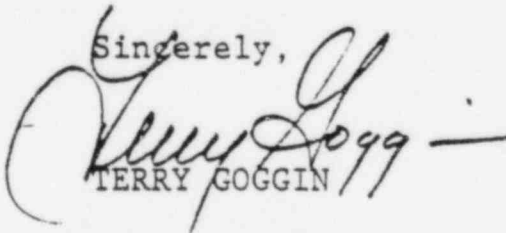
Dear Chairman Palladino:

I am appalled that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission is being requested to relicense the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant prior to completion of the safety design review ordered by your Commission in 1981.

The possibility that Diablo will be relicensed prior to completion of these studies not only violates fundamental principles of due process, but also suggests that the original safety and design reviews were motivated by a desire to manipulate public opinion rather than to guarantee that engineering and design flaws were to be rectified by a capable quality assurance program.

I request that you delay any relicense of Diablo Canyon until completion of design and safety studies, public hearings on these studies, and a decision of the Commission related to quality assurance.

Sincerely,

  
TERRY GOGGIN

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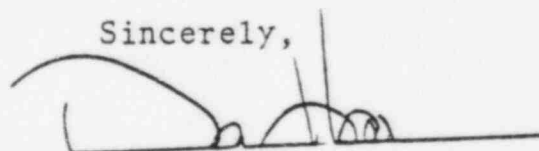
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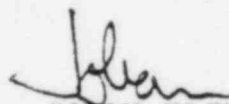
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Dear Chairman Palladino:

As a California legislator, I am concerned about a premature decision to relicense the Diablo Nuclear Power Plant. I urge you to delay a licensing hearing and vote until after you study the final design review the NRC ordered in 1981, which is unfinished to date. Since the last full-scale review revealed 23 major mistakes, careful consideration of the design review is imperative. The completion and thorough evaluation of all safety hearings is also necessary to avoid further problems like the mirror-image mistake - discovered after the initial licensing in 1981.

Nuclear power plants should be licensed only after the NRC establishes such plants as safe to operate. Please allow time for completion and analysis of safety hearings and design reviews to enable you to make a fully informed decision on this important issue. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission must consider all information to adequately protect the health and safety of California residents. Thank you very much for your time and consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

  
JOHAN KLEHS  
Assemblyman

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Nunzio Palladino, Chairman  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am concerned about the prospect of a premature decision to re-license Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant in California. Given the history of this plant, I believe that it would be in the best interests of the citizens of California to delay a decision to license Diablo until the completion and evaluation of all safety hearings, and the completion and evaluation of the design review you ordered in 1981. NRC hearings on design problems will not begin until late October, and the design review will not be completed until sometime after the September 21st date tentatively established for a Commission vote on re-licensing.

Additionally, plant modifications may be required as a result of either the design hearings or the final design review. Those modifications should be made prior to plant operation.

I would very much appreciate your consideration of this letter and look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Herschel Rosenthal".

HERSCHEL ROSENTHAL  
Senator, 22nd District

HR:jhn

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