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Attn: Docketing & Service Branch
Secretary of the Commission
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing this short letter to voice my concern with NUREG-0956, "Reassessment of Technical Bases for Estimating Source Terms." As one who has been involved with emergency planning as it relates to Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, I find it hard to believe that the NRC could propose that the ten-mile evacuation zone be reduced to two or three miles; I would rather have thought that the State's 20-mile zone would be more appropriate.

My understanding is that the modeling upon which the new source term study was undertaken does not consider "external events," including earthquakes. For those of us living in Central California near Diablo Canyon, this is deplorable. Such action, alas, does follow the NRC's handling of the earthquake issue here.

The County emergency plan, while continuing to have major deficiencies in both its sheltering and evacuation components, is nonetheless some sort of plan for the roughly 100,000 people living within the Basic Emergency Planning Zone of Diablo Canyon. Had NUREG-0956 been in force, no such plan would have been necessary; thus, none would have been written. Earthquake danger and all, we would today have an operating Diablo Canyon without an emergency plan save those few people living within two or three miles of the Plant.

I urge you not promulgate NUREG-0956 as presently constituted.

Sincerely yours,

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