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Less nuclear means MORE natural gas. Keep Diablo operating!

I moved to Vermont about ten years ago, when our children settled in the East Coast. However, we lived for 29 years in California. We raised our family in California, mostly in Palo Alto. While in Palo Alto, I worked at Acurex on control of NOx pollution. (Acurex is now part of A.D. Little.) NOx and carbon dioxide are the inevitable result of combustion processes. This has made me an advocate for nuclear energy.

From observing both Vermont Yankee closure and San Onofre closure, the bottom line is that closing nuclear means using more natural gas. Making more NOx. Making more carbon dioxide. I urge you to realize that nuclear is the safest form of electricity production, especially compared with natural gas or coal. Keep the single California nuclear plant. Avoid more San Bruno gas explosions and massive natural gas leaks! I urge you to read my recent blog post at the Energy Northwest Blog, which is mostly about greenhouse gases. But the safety of nuclear is important too. It is very safe, especially compared with what might replace it.

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