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## **Continued Operation of Diablo Canyon**

All parties especially Governor Newsom must respect the agreement to replace Diablo with renewable energy, which is on track, to fulfill the just transition for workers and to prevent creation of more long-lasting deadly radioactive waste now being targeted at communities of color who do not consent to taking it.

The operation of Diablo discourages the use of renewables.

Diablo is old and unreliable. Maintenance has been deferred. The last replacement for aging parts resulted in a seven-month periodic shutdown of Unit 2 during 2020-21. PG&E is a corporate felon, responsible for nearly 100 deaths, thousands of homes and businesses burned to the ground, and hundreds of thousands of acres scorched. PG&E can not be trusted.

Diablo is seismically vulnerable. It sits near multiple active earthquake faults.

The proposal to extend the operation would violate the closure agreement established in 2016 and codified by the California legislature and the CPUC in 2018.

Ratepayers and taxpayers have already paid out \$85 million in mitigating costs to the impacted communities and millions more toward decommissioning costs.

Where/how will this extra high-level radioactive waste be stored? Currently, there are only plans for the storage of waste generated through 2025.

Diablo's once-through cooling system is now unlawful. How will that be rectified? Has the cost to construct a compliant cooling system been calculated?

I hope these thoughts and questions will be considered.