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## **Please Help Save Clean Energy, Save Diablo Canyon!**

Dear California Energy Commission:

Diablo Canyon is the last operating nuclear power plant in all of the state of California. Its extended operation past the 2024 and 2025 closure dates will represent California's commitment to the continuation of carbon free power.

Currently, Diablo Canyon provides 15% of our zero-carbon energy, and 10% of the state's overall energy portfolio. Consequently, the premature closure of Diablo Canyon would all but guarantee that its lost generating capacity will be replaced with fossil fuels, which would have the effect of releasing 15.5 million metric tons of **additional** 'green house gases' into the atmosphere between now and the year 2030. Put another way, the effect of removing the Diablo Canyon power plant would be tantamount to removing ALL of California's current wind generation capacity!

Given the fact that electricity demand is only going to INCREASE as a result of the transition to a nearly all electric forms of energy delivery (through the adoption of electric vehicles, electric home heating and cooling, etc.), the sacrifice of even a single kilowatt-hour of carbon free energy is simply, at this time, unacceptable!

Please, I implore everyone on the California Energy Commission, to reconsider the closure of Diablo Canyon nuclear generating facility, and keep California as a leader, and at the forefront, of fighting global climate change!

Sincerely,  
Nick Maiorino.