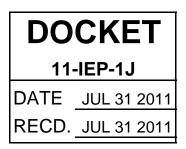
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> To Whom it May Concern,

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> I am writing to express my concern for the safety of the public and specifically my family who live in San Clemente, CA in very close proximity to the San Onofre nuclear generating station. It has become abundantly clear that the potential harm, however great or small the probability, of a nuclear incident at San Onofre warrants a very serious change of direction for the future use of this facility. I urge you to please use every resource available to ensure the safety of those living nearby, including a closure of the plant altogether.

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> The San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station was not built to sustain an earthquake capable of being produced on the nearest fault line. It has a subpar safety record, and frankly exists in an area that has grown in population to the point where the economic, health, safety, and regional impacts of a nuclear release are simply too great to leave to chance, or a regulator or a corporation. The only way for many local residents to sleep comfortably at night would be to shut down the plant. Considering that this station only accounts for 7.5% of the regional power sources, it does not seem far fetched that we could make up this generation through other means. I know that I would be willing to make personal (energy consumption) and monetary (energy pricing) sacrifices to ensure that nuclear risk is not on my list of things to concerned about and many of my neighbors would as well. However, ratepayers currently do not have that choice. We must live in fear (warranted or not) of what we know and what we don't know about this plant and the myriad risk factors that experts have exposed to the public.

> Please allow for more public influence in the future of this plant and consider a major shift in the reliance on nuclear energy in such a populous area. While I believe that nuclear energy has a place in the spectrum of power generation in the US, it does not belong in such a prime, coastal destination, especially given the improvements on other renewable technologies.

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> Sincerely,

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- > Andrew Lurker
- > San Clemente, CA Resident
- > Steering Committee Pro North Beach Vision Coalition

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