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To the California Energy Commission,

It has recently come to our attention that you are considering the fate of SONGS.

I and my family have been residents of communities in south Orange County since 1996. We have never been been comfortable with SONGS nearby. Its proximity creates an underlying concern, in truth a fear, that pervades our lives.

We are aware that it is not designed to withstand the magnitude of potential earthquakes predicted for our area. We are aware of the safety violations.

We are aware of the tons and tons of nuclear waste material that mankind has no safe way of managing, which means that we have yet another as yet unsolvable toxic problem on our hands.

In the first few years after coming to this area, I met an employee of SONGS, an individual whose job responsibility was safety at the site. This person could not speak of the particulars of the job, but I will never forget how tightly wound, frightened and pessimistic this person was, all due to the job. The level of fear was very high. This encounter spoke volumes to me about the state of affairs at the SONGS.

As a result, our family had many discouraging discussions about what we could do to protect ourselves. I say discouraging because we realized that living near SONGS put our lives in jeopardy, no matter what.

We have much safer, both short term and long term, alternatives for energy that are already being put into place.

The handwriting is on the wall and has been for some time. Now is the time for safe, clean, sustainable energy.

SONGS is not safe, clean, nor sustainable, not for people or for our environment.

It is my great hope that you will make a choice that will move us out of fear and into a future that is safe and healthy.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
 Lise Kimball and the Kimball-Clausen Family

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