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Dear Commissioners:

I live and own a house within 15 miles of SONGS. I am pretty familiar with the history of SONGS and the numerous short comings, accidents, and vulnerabilities that this station has. For one, it has already well exceeded its intended lifespan. It is a concrete containment dome, and concrete exposed to radiation continually gets weaker and weaker. SONGS already has a history of cracks and leaks into the water table below. SONGS has 10 times more safety violations than the industry average making it the second most dangerous of all the 104 nuclear plants in the U.S.

SONGS was designed to withstand a 7.0 earthquake when it was new, not 40 plus years later, and besides, this region will have a quake much bigger than that in the future. It not a matter of "if", but "when". It is also right next to the ocean which is also one day going to have a tsunami that its very inadequate containment wall will not be able to hold back. Again, its not a matter of "if", but "when".

No amount of energy is worth the cost of the disaster that will one day happen if we continue to allow these plants to operate. We need to start decommissioning all the nuclear plants in CA now, and not build any new ones. There is no such thing as a safe nuclear power plant. The waste alone from nuclear power is far too dangerous, will last forever, and is a source of weapon material for terrorism. We need to abandon this inefficient and wasteful technology all together, and switch to clean renewable energy like solar, wind, biomass, geo-thermal, etc. The alternative are there, we don't have to live in fear of being energy deficient and be held hostage to the oil, coal, and nuclear industries.

yours for a sustainable Ca,

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