

Docket Optical System - Comment for docket No. 11-IEP-1J

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Our family has established roots in San Clemente, California since 1976. We have been engaged in most of the community activities available such as soccer, PTA, Boys and Girl youth activities, etc. I was on the San Clemente City Council at the time that Units 2 and 3 were brought on line and appreciated the dangers that a nuclear plant just miles south of our city entailed. I have spoken out at FEMA hearings to no avail when SONGS was attempting to demonstrate the ability to evacuate San Clemente and other south Orange County cities ahead of an airborne radiation leak. **A successful evacuation of San Clemente and other South Orange County cities within a 10 miles radius was impossible then and is more impossible today.** One only has to look at the geography of our area to realize that the only rapid way out of our coastal community is via the I-5.

A few of the false premises for evacuation are as follows:

Children are to be removed from their schools and loaded onto busses where they will be reunited with their parents at the Orange County Fairgrounds about 30 miles from San Clemente. There are not sufficient numbers of busses controlled by the local school district to remove all the students at one time and they would require the backup of the OCTA to supply reserve busses and drivers. After polling many OCTA bus drivers, I am convinced that the numbers necessary will not volunteer to enter a radioactive area. Additionally, to avoid traffic impacts, parents are not to go to the school to personally remove their children. No parent would evacuate without their children. The updated plan calls for children to be transported before the general alert goes out to the public. Most children now have cell phones and would certainly be communicating this fact with their parents adding to the confusion.

The exodus of the city is to begin at the southernmost part of the city and proceed north in an orderly manner. The southbound lanes of the I-5 would be closed to allow for more northbound lanes to the I-5 and I-405 interchange. The plan is impossible to affect as there is no way to disperse the traffic from that point which is only 20 miles from the plant. After the Fukushima Dai-ichi plant melted down, the U.S. government ordered all of its personnel and citizens to evacuate to a distance of 50 miles. A 50 mile radius from SONGS would include more than 8 million people and **a successful evacuation of 8 million plus people in a 50 mile radius would be absurdly impossible today.** We were promised additional evacuation routes before licensing, and yet we still have none after 30 years.

Sheltering in our homes would be impossible especially if one considers the length of time since Japan's disaster started. If the event were caused by an earthquake, the homes may not be capable of sheltering for any length of time. The total loss of equity to all the inhabitants in a fifty mile radius from SONGS, who are incapable of receiving adequate personal insurance or compensation from SONGS, would be impossible to calculate.

We were promised permanent offsite storage for the spent fuel rods, and after 30 years, all 4,000 tons of spent fuel rods are still on site in pools beyond their capacity and accumulating at over 500 pounds a day.

Terrorism was not on anyone's radar screen 30 years ago, and now it is a fact of life in the world. SONGS has proven repeatedly that they are not able to provide a safe working environment. We cannot assume they can prevent a terrorist from breaching their security systems to attack the water intake system, the pools of spent fuel rods, or the electrical generating systems needed to keep water circulating safely.

San Clemente is a city surrounded by fault lines that are now 30 years more overdue for a quake, with a force greater than SONGS was originally designed to withstand in its original license.

The aforementioned are a few of the reasons that I am deeply concerned about the continued operation of SONGS.

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