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CC: Assemblymember Pedro Nava, US Representative Lois Capps (via web), Santa Barbara Mayor Helene Schnedier, Concerned Citizens and Public Officials

ROUTING REQUEST: All staff copies requisite for inclusion on pending agenda

RE: Diablo Canyon Constituent Letter Requesting

Official Communications to NRC & PUC re Diablo Canyon

SUMMARY: More science, less guesswork in public health and safety

July 11, 2010

GREETINGS:

I respectfully urge this Honorable Board and such public officials and citizens as may agree:

(1) To communicate with the federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission asking that PG&E's application for renewal of the plant's two reactor operating licenses be suspended until the studies are complete.

(2) to communicate to the California Public Utilities Commission in support of mandatory seismic studies as a condition precedent to license renewal for Diablo.

My understanding, in support of this request, is as follows:

In 2008, PG&E seismic monitoring disclosed a new fault, the Shoreline Fault, less than half a mile of the plant. Respected voices support additional studies, including the California Energy Commission, the SLO Board of Supervisors, and Assemblyman Sam Blakeslee, R-San Luis Obispo. Nevertheless, these studies did not proceed as intended as a result of a special interest pressure group.

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We cannot afford to gamble with the safety of our citizens and the well being of flora and fauna in this region. The science is well established that even small releases of radioactive materials can cause long term risks to the biosphere. We now need to establish with scientific precision what is the likelihood of related seismic activity and what are the foreseeable consequences of any such activity with regard to the foundation and structure of the reactor, containment and ancillary buildings.

I have testified before the Board in the past requesting more better data and more scientific justification for official decisions - Goleta Beach, Rigs to Reefs. The need to proceed with caution and sound science is all the more heightened with regard to the Diablo Canyon facility, as the consequences of a mistep regarding would be unthinkable.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

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