

DRAFT LETTER TO COASTAL COMMISSION – REVISED 4/28/17
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California Coastal Commission
Chair Dayna Bochco
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San Francisco, CA 94105

Chair Bochco,

The City of San Clemente respectfully requests the Coastal Commission (CCC) to revisit its decision to issue a spent nuclear fuel storage permit to Southern California Edison (SCE) at San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS). Our request is driven by deep concern in our community to ensure the safety of our residents.

We hereby request that you revise and strengthen the conditions imposed upon the ISFSI permit and consider the following concerns and requests:

- 1.) Due to the absence of significant progress by the Federal Government in approving temporary and permanent Federal fuel storage alternatives for the waste at SONGS, San Clemente will be forced to be an involuntary “host” community for decades to come. This is an unacceptable outcome and is contrary to the intentions of the 2012 Blue Ribbon Commission on consent based storage.
To this end, we call on the CCC to affirm our desire to be considered a “consent” based community and support the San Clemente’s efforts to achieve Federal recognition for this designation.
- 2.) Require that SCE expedite the development of the “Aging Management Plan” to address key questions regarding fuel monitoring and cask repair. This should be completed prior to the demolition of the spent fuel pool.
- 3.) Due to its proximity to the ocean, key transportation corridors and dense population centers, San Clemente believes that ongoing fuel storage at SONGS is the worst possible scenario for the future. Although the move from wet to dry storage represents an improvement in the status quo storage choices, we remain passionately committed to the expedited removal of the waste away from our shoreline and community and ask the CCC continue to press SCE and the Federal government, when possible, to find alternate locations for the fuel as soon as possible.
- 4.) San Clemente continues to support Federal efforts to permit and open potential Consolidated Interim Storage sites in New Mexico and Texas as well as efforts to reopen the permanent storage facility located at Yucca Mountain. We call on the CCC and our residents to support these efforts to get the waste removed as soon as possible.

5.) Finally, we ask that the CCC require that SCE continue to fund all necessary emergency services for our community through the decommissioning and storage process – similar to PG&E's commitment to the communities surrounding Diablo Canyon.

We remain grateful for the good work that the CCC has done to protect our shorelines and communities, and ask that you act to help us keep our communities safe for years to come.

Sincerely,

Kathy Ward, Mayor

Cc:

California Coastal Commission

John Aisworth, California Coastal Commission Executive Director

U.S Senators Diane Feinstein and Kamala Harris

U.S Representative Darrell Issa

California Senator Pat Bates

California Assemblyman Bill Brough

Mayors: Oceanside, Laguna Beach, San Juan Capistrano, Dana Point

Commanding General, US Marine Corps, Camp Pendleton

Department of Energy

Attachments:

City of San Clemente – Resolution on Permanent Repository dated 12/17/13

City of San Clemente – Resolution on Permanent Repository and Priority Transfer 11/6/14

City of San Clemente – Resolution on Interim Consolidated Storage Act HR 3643 2/2/16