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Subject: Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Proposed San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) Steam Generator Replacement Project SCH #2004101008

Dear Mr. Barnsdale:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the proposed SONGS Steam Generator Replacement Project. California State Parks operates San Onofre State Beach for the Base Camp Pendleton so that the exceptional natural and recreational resources are protected and available for the citizens of California. San Onofre State Beach serves more than one and a half million visitors annually. A large percentage of these visitors use the beach and ocean for recreation.

Southern California Edison has applied to replace the steam generators at San Onofre Nuclear Generation Station Units 2 and 3. This replacement procedure would necessitate transport of replacement and original generators across the Bluffs section of San Onofre State Beach. This three mile section of San Onofre State Beach has approximately 221 campsites and hundreds of day use parking spaces along the old Highway 101 alignment. The park is open to the public every day of the year, and is a popular running and cycling area.

We are most concerned with the public safety of our campers and day use visitors, and their access to desired portions of the park. During steam generator transports across this section of the park, protective measures will have to be placed in order to assure the safety of all public users. State Parks needs assurances that public facilities and utilities that are located along the park will not be impacted, and if so, will be repaired or replaced. SONGS will need to enter into a Right of Entry Agreement with State Parks in order to conduct activities across the park.

We appreciate this opportunity to comment on this proposed project. If you have a need to clarify any of our concerns, please feel free to call me at (949) 492-0802.

Sincerely,

Richard Rozzelle

State Park Superintendent III