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UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
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The Honorable Mike Levin  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Levin:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am responding to your letters of June 11 and June 21, 2019, expressing concerns related to the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS).

I very much appreciated the opportunity to meet with you on July 11<sup>th</sup> to discuss in greater detail your concerns. I agree with you on the importance of accountability to ensure the safety of the people in the communities surrounding SONGS, and am committed to continued communications with you on this issue.

As I mentioned during our conversation, I am confident that the NRC's inspection plan for the SONGS decommissioning process is the most effective approach to ensure the safe decommissioning of the site. We have extensive experience and a proven record with performing inspections at decommissioning sites, and the NRC's inspectors who perform this function are experts with extensive experience in this area. In addition, I want to assure you that we will not hesitate to devote the inspection resources necessary to ensure the safe decommissioning of SONGS.

Thank you again for your time and the opportunity to discuss the NRC's inspection and oversight of these activities. Please feel free to contact me or have your staff contact Eugene Dacus, Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, at 301-415-1776 if you have additional questions or need more information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "K. Svinicki", written over a horizontal line.

Kristine L. Svinicki