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October 15, 2010

Mr. John Conway Senior Vice President, Generation and Chief Nuclear Officer Pacific Gas and Electric Company 77 Beale Street, MC B32 San Francisco, CA 94105

SUBJECT: REVISION OF SCHEDULE FOR THE REVIEW OF THE DIABLO CANYON

NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2, LICENSE RENEWAL

APPLICATION

Dear Mr. Conway:

AUCLEAR REGULA,

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If you have any questions on the revised schedule, please contact me at 301-415-2292. For specific questions on the environmental review, please contact Drew Stuyvenberg at 301-415-4006 or by e-mail at andrew.stuyvenberg@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

David J. Wrona, Chief Projects Branch 2

Division of License Renewal

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket Nos. 50-275 and 50-323

Enclosure:

Revised Schedule

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DIABLO CANYON NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2 LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION REVIEW SCHEDULE

Milestone	Schedule	Actual
Receive license renewal application (LRA)	11/24/2009	11/24/2009
Publish Federal Register Notice (FRN) - LRA availability	12/11/2009	12/11/2009
Publish FRN - acceptance/rejection and opportunity for hearing	01/21/2010	01/21/2010
Publish FRN – Intent to conduct Environmental Scoping	01/21/2010	01/27/2010
Public Meeting - license renewal overview	02/09/2010	02/09/2010
Public Meeting – environmental scoping meeting	03/03/2010	03/03/2010
Deadline for filing hearing requests and petitions for intervention	03/22/2010	03/22/2010
Audit - Scoping & Screening Methodology	03/15/2010	03/15/2010
Environmental scoping period ends	04/12/2010	04/12/2010
Audit – Aging Management Programs	04/12/2010	04/12/2010
Audit - Environmental	04/19/2010	04/19/2010
Issue environmental requests for additional information (RAIs)	05/03/2010	07/06/2010
Receive responses for environmental RAIs	06/03/2010	08/05/2010
Issue safety RAIs	06/23/2010	05/18/2010
Receive responses for safety RAIs	07/23/2010	06/03/2010
Inspection - Regional	09/13/2010	09/13/2010
Issue safety evaluation report (SER) with open items	12/10/2010	
Issue draft supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS)	02/18/2011	
Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) Subcommittee meeting	02/2011	
Publish EPA FRN - draft SEIS available for comments	02/25/2011	
Public Meeting - draft SEIS meeting	03/2011	
End of draft SEIS comment period	05/2011	
Issue final SER	05/23/2011	
ACRS Full Committee meeting	07/2011	
Issue final SEIS	10/21/2011	
Publish EPA FRN - availability of final SEIS	10/28/2011	
Commission decision (30 months if hearing is granted)	05/25/2012	

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