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Harold B. Ray, Executive Vice President  
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SUBJECT: CLOSURE OF INVESTIGATION (OI 4-1999-036)


Dear Mr. Ray:

This is in reference to an investigation that was conducted by the NRC Office of Investigations (OI) regarding activities at San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station. The OI investigation was conducted to determine whether a contract worker was the subject of employment discrimination for reporting concerns.

Based on the evidence developed during the investigation, the allegation was not substantiated. The NRC plans no further action regarding this investigation and considers this case closed. Enclosed for your reference and information is a copy of the synopsis from OI 4-1999-036.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

Sincerely,



Ken E. Brockman, Director  
Division of Reactor Projects

Enclosure: As stated

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## SYNOPSIS

This investigation was initiated on July 7, 1999, by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), Office of Investigations (OI), Region IV (RIV), to determine if a Bechtel Construction, Inc. (Bechtel) contract painter, at Southern California Edison's (SCE) San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS), was the subject of employment discrimination by his management for reporting concerns.

Based on the evidence developed, testimony, documents, and a review by the technical staff and the regional counsel, the allegation that the contract painter was the subject of employment discrimination by his management for reporting concerns was not substantiated.

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Case No. 4-1999-036