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Reference:

License DPR-1, Docket 50-18

Gentlemen:

Enclosed are three signed copies of Annual Report No. 35 for the Vallecitos Boiling Water Reactor (deactivated).

Sincerely,

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The status of the Vallecitos Boiling Water Reactor (VBWR) during the calendar year of 1999 is described in this thirty-fifth report of the deactivated facility in conformance with License DPR-1, Docket 50-18, Amendment No. 19, paragraph 5.d.2.

#### I. SUMMARY

The facility remained essentially in a static condition as described in Annual Report No. 34. Entry into the containment building was made for routine radiation surveys and for a check of general conditions throughout the building to verify the unchanged condition of the facility. The reactor vessel water level was monitored and remained essentially constant.

### II. STATUS OF THE FACILITY

# A. Containment Building

No changes were made during the report period.

# B. General Systems

No changes were made during the report period.

#### III. PERIODIC INSPECTIONS

The annual air samples and radiation and contamination surveys of accessible areas within the containment building are given in Table 1 of this report. The levels shown are representative and are not necessarily maximums.

## IV. RADIATION AND CONTAMINATION

Radiation and contamination surveys of the facility indicate the levels in all cases were well below the limits for any safety concern.

#### V. ORGANIZATION

There were no organization changes in 1999.

### VI. CONCLUSION

The deactivated Vallecitos Boiling Water Reactor continues to be maintained in a safe condition, commensurate with its shut down status. The methods of inspection and control of safety-related items ensure maximum protection for the public and the General Electric Company.

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY Vallecitos and Morris Operations

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TABLE 1. RADIATION AND CONTAMINATION REPORT

				Contamination Levels			
		Radiation Levels (mR/h Gamma)		Surface Smears Beta-Gamma** (cpm/ft² × 10³)		Airborne Beta-Gamma* (μCi/cc × 10 <sup>-10</sup> )	
		11/98	12/99	11/98	12/99	11/98	12/99
Rea	ctor Enclosure, Main Floor						
1.	General	<1.0	<1.0	0.2	1.1	0.0013	0.021
2.	Top of Spent Fuel Pit Cover	<1.0	<1.0	1.0	1.5	0.023	0.28
Reactor Basement							
1.	Upper Level, Field	2	<1-1.2				
2.	West Ladder, Bottom	5	10	3.0	8.0		
3.	East Ladder, Bottom	2	1-2.5	4.0	1.8	0.079	0.025
4.	Between Recirculation Pumps (2 ft. off deck)	12	9				

<u>NOTE</u>: Radiation levels, surface smears, and air samples may vary from survey to survey as they are taken in general areas rather than at specific locations.

<sup>\*</sup>The 11/98 and 12/99 values are given for the 24-hour decay counts as normally presented.

<sup>\*\*</sup>For conversion to dpm, assume an instrument efficiency of 20%.