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**Subject:** RE: RE: 2.206 Petition status  
**Date:** Friday, October 25, 2019 3:13:00 PM  
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Good Afternoon Everyone,

You submitted a petition requesting action under 10 C.F.R. 2.206 that included a request that the NRC immediately suspend all decommissioning operations at the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) and require the Licensee to submit an amended decommissioning plan to account for spent nuclear fuel being placed in storage at SONGS. You also requested that the NRC prepare a supplemental environmental impact statement that evaluates site-specific environmental issues not addressed in the decommissioning Generic Environmental Impact Statement.

The NRC staff reviewed the petition's immediate action request and has concluded, in accordance with Section II.B.1 of Management Directive (MD) 8.11 (ML18176A147), that the request does not warrant immediate action. The NRC staff has determined that the decommissioning activities at SONGS do not constitute an immediate threat to public health and safety. The NRC has continued to perform inspection and oversight of NRC-licensed activities at SONGS and taken regulatory actions as necessary, including appropriate enforcement of NRC regulations regarding the safety of spent fuel storage.

Consistent with the 2.206 process, the Staff is proceeding with its evaluation of whether the petition meets the MD 8.11 acceptance criteria for review. We will contact you once the Staff has made that initial determination.

We also note that the NRC has only received a 9/24/19 e-mail with the initial petition and a 9/25/19 e-mail with a 'Notice of Appearance.' Consistent with the 10 CFR 2.206 petition process, all information related to the petition (including exhibits) must be submitted in writing. If there are additional materials that you believe the Staff should consider, please provide them via email to me at [Zahira.Cruz@nrc.gov](mailto:Zahira.Cruz@nrc.gov) or to [Petition.Resource@nrc.gov](mailto:Petition.Resource@nrc.gov) as attachments.

Thank You,

Zahira Cruz

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*Zahira Cruz*

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Dear Project Manager Cruz:

Thank you for acknowledging the 2.206 Petition filed on behalf of our client, Public Watchdogs. Please ensure that the exhibits to the Petition are also reviewed. According to our records, the NRC has yet to download these supporting items.

Very truly yours,

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Good Afternoon,

Thank you for submitting your 2.206 Petition on September 24, 2019. Apologies for not getting back to you sooner.

The initial screening of your submittal began soon after the petition was received and you will be contacted again in the near future with the screening results.

Thank You,

Zahira Cruz

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