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27. CORE DRILLING PERMIT

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CORE DRILLING PERMIT

APPLICANT: Southern California Edison Company.

LOCATION: Offshore from San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station, San Diego County.

TYPE OF LAND: Submerged.

PURPOSE: The applicant has a pending application for an operating license for Units No. 2 and 3 at the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station. Offshore geological studies are required to support the license requirements of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

METHOD OF STUDY: Offshore geophysical profiling and core drilling.

TERM: June 1, 1980 through November 30, 1980.

CONSIDERATION: The public benefit - the State will receive copies of all the geophysical and geological data.

PREREQUISITE FEES AND EXPENSES: Filing fee and processing costs have been received.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. It is proposed to drill from 20 to 25 shallow core holes, less than 1000 feet deep, four to six inches in diameter at locations based on the results of the geophysical surveys. Drilling will be done from a jack-up barge in water depths of approximately 80 feet (the operational limit of the barge). Should the water depth exceed the barge's limitation, the work will continue from a research drilling vessel. Drilling will be of short duration, approximately two to three days at each location. Because of the short duration at each site, impact on the marine environment will be minimal.

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2. An EIR is not required for the proposed core drilling permit. This project is within the provision of 2 Cal. Adm. Code 2907, Class 6(A), which exempts minor core drilling operations for the purpose of gathering information for environmental documentation.
3. The project is situated on State land identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to P.R.C. 6370.1, and is classified in a use category, Class "B", which authorizes limited use. Staff review indicates that there will be no significant effect upon the identified environmental values.
4. Section 6826.1 of the P.R.C. excludes certain lands including the subject lands, as to taking of cores; however, this statute also excepts such prohibition when the coring is done in connection with the location of nuclear plantsites.
5. The applicant will secure all other required permits and authorities including the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Coastal Commission, Department of Fish and Game and San Diego County Air Pollution Control District.

EXHIBITS: A. Permit Description. B. Location Map.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. DETERMINE THAT AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT HAS NOT BEEN PREPARED FOR THIS ACTIVITY AS SUCH REPORT IS NOT REQUIRED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF P.R.C. 21085 AND 14 CAL. ADM. CODE 2907.
2. FIND THAT GRANTING OF THE PERMIT WILL HAVE NO SIGNIFICANT EFFECT UPON ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS IDENTIFIED PURSUANT TO SECTION 6370.1 OF THE P.R.C.
3. AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY OF A CORE DRILLING PERMIT FOR THE PERIOD JUNE 1, 1980 THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 1980, ON TIDE AND SUBMERGED LANDS DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF, SAN DIEGO COUNTY, IN CONSIDERATION OF THE PUBLIC BENEFIT.

EXHIBIT "A"

LAND DESCRIPTION

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All those certain tide and submerged lands in the County of San Diego, State of California, lying within the following described parcel:

BEGINNING at the intersection of the centerline of San Onofre Creek with the mean high tide line of the Pacific Ocean; thence due South to the three mile limit line of said Pacific Ocean; thence Southeasterly along said three mile limit line to a line having a longitude of $117^{\circ} 30'$; thence North along said last mentioned line to said mean high tide line; thence Northwesterly along said mean high tide line to the Point of Beginning.

REVIEWED MAY 19, 1980 BY TECHNICAL SERVICES UNIT, ROY MINNICK, SUPERVISOR

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EXHIBIT "B"
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