San Luis Obispo County Democratic Central Committee

RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROPOSED RATE INCREASE OF THE PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY TO RECOVER ALL COSTS OF DIABLO CANYON POWER PLANT

WHEREAS, Pacific Gas and Electric Company has announced its intention to recover the funds invested in the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant; and

WHEREAS, the cost overruns in the construction of this nuclear facility have been at least ten-fold the original figure for construction; and

WHEREAS, the project is estimated to cost over \$5 billion; and

WHEREAS, Pacific Gas and Electric Company cannot pass on to consumers the costs of the plant until the plant has reached full commercial operation; and

WHEREAS, the California Public Utilities Commission is required by law to review and authorize any rate increases; and

WHEREAS, Pacific Gas and Electric Company has filed an application with the California Public Utilities Commission to recover these costs; and

WHEREAS, approval by the California Public Utilities Commission for recovery of the full costs will lead to a substantial rate increase; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Democratic Central Committee of San Luis Obispo County is requesting the California Public Utilities Commission to closely scrutinize the appropriateness of all costs assigned to the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, especially regarding funds expended due to error and carelessness, as contained in the Pacific Gas and Electric Company application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Pacific Gas and Electric Company be authorized to recover in rates only those costs found to be reasonable and prudent. In no event should Pacific Gas and Electric be reimbursed for costs which can be attributed to poor construction, poor planning, mismanagement, lack of proper supervision, lack of quality control, failure to double check specifications and adherence to specifications and any other inadequacy in the planning or execution of the Diablo Canyon Nuclear facility; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Public Utilities Commission exclude in any rate increase peripheral costs such as legal costs, administrative costs, salary and expenses of Pacific Gas and Electric officials, clerical costs, publicity and public relations costs and other costs which can be attributed to the above-described mismanagement, or to Pacific Gas and Electric's efforts to achieve this rate increase or Pacific Gas and Electric's efforts to gain approval of any of the various state and federal regulatory agencies for the operation of this nuclear facility; and

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Democratic Central Committee of San Luis Obispo County this thirteenth day of March, 1985 by a unanimous vote:

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