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June 22, 2018

The Honorable Assemblymember Chris Holden  
Chair, Assembly Committee on Utilities and Energy  
State Capitol, Room 5132  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Re: SB 1090 (Monning) Diablo Canyon Nuclear Powerplant - SUPPORT**

Dear Assemblymember Holden:

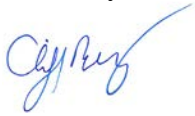
I am writing on behalf of the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors in order to respectfully request your support for SB 1090 (Monning), which would require the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to approve collection of ratepayer funds for previously denied elements of a Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) application related to the retirement of the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant.

The Board of Supervisors adopted a 2018 Legislative Platform, which includes legislative principles that support community sustainability and environmental protection, SB 1090 specifically would:

- Ensure that the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant will continue to operate through its permitted life until 2025, allowing nuclear generation during the transition period between fossil fuels and renewables. This 24-hour, non-greenhouse gas power supply is necessary to meet power demands, particularly at night, until power inventories can be shifted to other sources by 2025.
- Allow time for other environmentally-friendly sources to come online, and would provide for a just transition for workers, the environment, and the communities.
- Provide temporary economic assistance for a community that has shouldered the burden of living with a nuclear power plant in their backyard for the last three decades to provide the rest of the State with clean, reliable power.

For these reasons, the County is in support of SB 1090 (Monning). If you have questions about the Board's position, please contact the County's Legislative Coordinator, Dennis Bozanich at 805-568-3403 or [dbozanich@countyofsb.org](mailto:dbozanich@countyofsb.org).

Sincerely,



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