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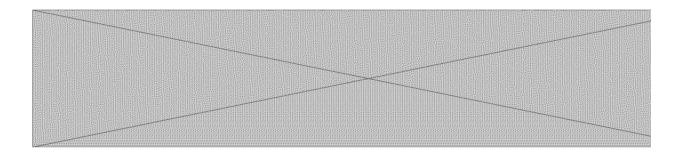
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**From:** A Message from John Conway **Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2011 5:02 PM

**To:** All PG&E Mail Recipients; All PGE Corp Employees **Subject:** PG&E's Response to Nuclear Events In Japan



## PG&E Employees:

The situation in Japan is constantly changing, and we continue to keep the people of Japan and our colleagues at Fukushima in our thoughts and prayers. As we do, I would like to share some additional information and resources with you on what is happening and how we are responding.

I have been in frequent discussions with various leaders in the U.S. nuclear industry, including all of the Chief Nuclear Officers across the country, to assess events in Japan, determine how to respond, share lessons learned and offer our support. One specific way we contributed to relief efforts was to send boron from our Diablo Canyon Power Plant to the Fukushima reactors in Japan. Boron is being used to maintain a shutdown condition in the troubled reactors. Because we stock well beyond what the site needs, we were able to supply Fukushima with 13 pallets and leave well over the

minimum amount we need for both DCPP units. Additionally, we are currently mobilizing a shipment of respirators to the workforce at the Fukushima nuclear facility.

Meanwhile, Diablo Canyon continues to operate normally and safely. As a reminder, our plant was designed to withstand the maximum credible ground motion and tsunami threat in the Central Coast of California. The plant's power block is situated on a bluff that is 85 feet above sea level. We are committed to protecting the safety of the residents of our communities and continue to prepare for natural disasters and other emergencies with:

- Rigorous emergency plans and severe accident management guidelines
- · Robust emergency preparedness training
- A long-term seismic program
- Seismic-reinforced structures, systems and components. This includes thick concrete walls with heavy reinforcing steel.
- Redundant coolant supply systems

I want to especially thank our Diablo Canyon employees, who have been working tirelessly to provide information and support during this time while maintaining our number one priority: safe, reliable operations.

As ambassadors of PG&E and of Diablo Canyon, your assistance and outreach to families and friends is greatly appreciated. One valuable resource for you and others to visit is the Nuclear Energy Institute's website, <a href="www.NEl.org">www.NEl.org</a>, which is frequently updated with the U.S. nuclear industry's ongoing response to events in Japan. You can also visit PG&E's external site for the latest news at <a href="www.pgecurrents.com">www.pgecurrents.com</a>.

As always, please work safely,



John Conway

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