BY ROBIN LEWIS

Five hundred Cal Poly students and faculty members joined together Tuesday morning in a march down Grand Avenue to the Discovery Inn to protest the possible low power test licensing of the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant.

Carrying signs, chanting "Diablo, no!" and singing, the marchers were met at the hotel by other demonstrators who had started from Mission Plaza. Participants in both marches then joined together in a demonstration in the hotel parking lot and tried to make themselves heard inside at the Nuclear Regulatory Committee's hearings on the Diablo hearings.

The hearings are to determine if Pacific Gas and Electric Company should be issued a low power test license for its Diablo Canyon nuclear reactor between Los Osos and Avila Beach. The campus march was sponsored by Concerned Faculty, and the Ecology and Political Action clubs.

Mothers for Peace, which sponsored the march from Mission Plaza, joined by local anti-nuclear alliances and organizations, charged PG&E with not having adequate earthquake protection for the plant or a viable fallout evacuation plan for the surrounding area.

They said PG&E was seeking a "learner's permit" to operate Diablo Canyon. The organization claimed the low power test license the utility wants is a "euphemism for operating license," and a means to operate a plant that cannot meet the NRC's full-power operational safety requirements.

Jane Swanson, spokeswoman for Mothers for Peace and a coordinator of the march and demonstration, said no further public hearings will be required by the NRC to proceed to full-power operation at Diablo Canyon once the low power test license is granted.

The fact the Atomic Licensing and Safety Board's hearing is open to the public, but is being held in a 70-person capacity room and allows no public testimony, was another object of the demonstrators' protest.

"It appears an awful lot like they're trying to keep the public out," Cal Poly architecture professor Paul Wolff told the Poly marchers before they left the UU plaza.

...and citizens join in with them at NRC hearings

BY GREGOR ROBIN

Anti-nuke crowds converged on Mission Plaza Tuesday morning as if it were an early morning La Fiesta celebration. The only difference was that these protesters stood for one main goal: No Diablo!

By 8:10 a.m. the crowd, including singer Jackson Browne, was ready to go up Monterey Street to the Discovery Inn where the first day of low-power testing hearings for the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant was to take place at 9 a.m.

The hearing will be the final public hearing in the licensing process before Diablo Canyon may be allowed to operate. Low power testing means that the fuel is loaded into the core, fission occurs and radiation is produced, an Abalone Alliance press release stated.

As Mothers for Peace members walked around handing out pins and answering questions, Rochelle Becker, stood up on one of the stone walls which surround the plaza and gave a common cry of the anti-nuclear supporters was that radiation could affect future generations. One of those children who hope to shape tomorrow's future, Damian Motto, carries a sign protesting the Diablo hearings as he sits atop Debbie Feuer.

Hearing adjourns after uproar

A roaring appeal from a San Luis Obispo Mothers for Peace representative to "let the community speak" at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission public hearings on the test-licensing of Diablo Canyon nuclear plant created such an uproar that the hearing was adjourned Tuesday morning until facilities could be provided to better accommodate the large crowds.

The Atomic Safety and Licensing Board proceeding, held in a small room at the Discovery Inn, came to a standstill when Sandy Silver took the microphone from the Mothers for Peace attorney and said, "The people are outraged that they can't speak—they have been gagged at a public hearing."

"I am here on behalf of the thousands of people in the community who want to speak," she said, looking around at the standing room only crowd of about 70 people, "I am here from the mothers who have ordered and have shown the utmost patience, but now we have had it."

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BY JIM MAYER

An aging but inspiringly energetic R. Buckminster Fuller warned a packed Chumash crowd Monday that the world is in the middle of a crisis that threatens the delicate existence of humanity on "spaceship earth.

"But we have the option to make it," the 86-year-old thinker said jubilantly at the end of his 2-hour and 40 minute talk. Thanks to the "invisible revolution," Fuller said, humanity can produce more from less, can become life-sustaining and assure a high standard of living for everyone—if it makes the right decisions within the next five years.

"Nature is trying very hard to make man a success despite himself," he said in a thick voice that sometimes crammed words together, in his rush to spill out 86 years of discovery.

Fuller said the crisis is that the tremendous power given to man by technology is still subject to the conditioned reflexes of the more primitive side of man.

Fuller’s optimism, though, is due to the rapid evolution of man’s mind, the explosion of information exchange and the ability to produce more from less, all achieved within his lifetime.

The development of this crisis and Fuller’s suggestions for humanity is described in his 26th and newest book, "The Critical Path."

The world-renowned architect, inventor, environmentalist and author used much of the information from the book in his presentation.

"I'm not a lecturer," the inventor of the geodesic dome told the crowd, waving them back down to their seats after a brief standing ovation when he walked onto the stage.

"I'm a very deliberate, outbound thinker. By not preparing a single thing, each one of us is picking up little experiences of life.

And so he stood, a small man on a big stage, no podium (at his request), just a chair, a table cluttered with geometric models and a small microphone around his neck that left his hands free to accentuate his outloud thinking.

"You are risking your time with me; you are trusting me."

In exchange, Fuller offered his "analysis of where humanity is at this moment. How and why we as humans are in this universe."

Fuller recalled the first time he spoke at Poly in 1956 and again when classes were cancelled for an entire day when he returned in 1967; Then he launched into the history of humanity according to Bucky. The history was not based on wars or dates, but the cosmic evolution of man’s ability to use his mind.

There’s a distinction, he said, between the mind and the brain which is often overlooked. The brain is temporal; it operates under the premise that everything has a beginning and an end. The brain is also responsible for everything man senses. The human mind, in contrast, deals with pure principles.

"Thus you have the touchable me," he said poking at his light green, burlap-like coat and balding head. "And then the thinkable me, the part no one can see."

He traced man’s discovery of his mind back to the early astronomers, with a specific and detailed mathematical description of the works of Copernicus, Kepler and Galileo. He closed his eyes to assist his memory, which flowed chronologically through hundreds of years. The man speaks with no periods. His summaries seemed like interruptions.

"What I’m getting at is his (mankind’s) mind—his ability to think of what he can’t see."

Astronomy led to geometry and the realization that everything is made up of systems. Man should not think in terms of infinity, parallel lines or planes, Fuller said, because everything is a system.

Fuller held up a model of a tetrahedron, a three-dimensional pyramid, and said this—is the most basic structure.

"You want to see a cube?" he said, jumping from his chair and grabbing a model from the table. The cube, made from dowels and flexible rubber joints like the tetrahedron, immediately lost its shape.

Fuller tossed the shapeless model to the floor in disgust.

"When your teacher in grammar school drew a square, the only thing that held it up was the black board!"

From the smallest structures on spaceship earth to the entire astronomical universe as a whole, everything is a closed system, he said. Humans must think in terms of systems.

"We must be careful of what we say."

The relationships are converging and diverging, radiating and gravitating. It’s not up and down.
 Occasionally, Fuller detoured from the past to the present. When the space shuttle landed, Fuller said he was asked to appear on television to comment on the importance of the mission. "They didn't really realize we are on a spaceship. If we don't realize that we are on a delicate spaceship, then we are through." He said nature knew that closest a nuclear reaction should be to the skin was $2,000,000,000 miles. He said humanity cannot survive living off its energy savings (coal, etc.) while ignoring its energy income (tides, solar, photosynthesis, etc.). ''Today we are operating on 5 percent energy efficiency, at only 4% of one percent of our daily energy." Fuller said.

Fuller's history included the development of power structures. First, the most muscular man manipulated the mechanics and mathematicians and the specialized craftsmen to work for him as a deterrent to execution. He used the other muscle men as guards, always remembering that he could control them only if they stayed separated. 'That's the strategy of the power structures: divide to conquer and keep divided to keep conquered," Fuller said.

The recently stumbled-upon abilities to control energy and the threat of nuclear destruction is part of the crisis. But in opposition to the power structures is the invention of mass media. "When Fuller was born only 5 percent of the world was literate. Now, 60 percent of the world can read and write. "Today, everybody really feels that they should be in on what's going on. "We now have less misinformation and more reliable information," he said.

During the '60s, Fuller was asked to speak by students protesting the Vietnam War at the University of California at Berkeley. He recalled discovering that the students had all been born after the invention of the television and the explosion of information exchange, but they had still been brought up as he had: "Never mind what you think, listen to me—I'm trying to teach you something." "So the kids told me, 'I love my mom and dad to pieces; and they love me to pieces. But they are mistaken.' " Fuller said that 55 years ago, he made the same decision the students had made—to think for himself.

"I'm not going to carry on what I've been told to believe. My grandmother used to tell me that 2,000 years ago Christ was born to a virgin. I can't believe that." But Fuller said he can believe, because of overwhelming evidence, that a greater intellect exists. "The word, God, is so inadequate and used to describe so many other things. It is not an oversight of the universe that we were born hungry and thirsty and endowed with the ability to learn through trial and error." Fuller said Foucault is continually amazed at the intricacies of humanity and its existence. When Fuller continued his history lesson, he said primitive life was so terrible and short that man became obsessed with qualifying for an afterlife. The Egyptians built pyramids to get their leaders to the afterlife, with the hope that once he got there, he would send for them. Fuller said. "A pyramid is just a toppled pile of stone," he said, "there's no mystery about it. Occasionally they put the architect in there too, to get him to the afterlife faster." One architect realized that if water was brought to the site by a ditch, the slaves worked faster. Thus, improvements in technology made qualifying for an afterlife easier. Soon it was possible for the nobles and endowments to learn and think Fuller for the first time became aware of the complexity of his discussion, and he paused. "There is one thing common to all people in all times: problems, problems, problems. When you solve a problem you don't come to Utopia, you come to a more difficult problem."

Fuller recalled his own problems. In his early 20s, he failed in several business adventures and considered suicide. But his decision to think for himself and to analyze the purpose of humanity in this universe turned him around. "I'm trying to say to you that the reason I have a record is I had no competition. There's nothing special about me, but I do think there is something special about humanity." Fuller's final remarks was an appeal—for individual courage to go along with experimental evidence. Fuller's wife of 64 years, Anne, was in the front row. He pointed her out and said, "We think of love as terribly personal, but I'm confident that the biggest discovery we can find is that love is universal."
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**NRC Cuts Plant Licensing Time**

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Nuclear Regulatory Commission voted Tuesday to cut about two months from the time it takes to issue a license for operation of a nuclear power plant. The 3-1 commission vote follows intense pressure from Congress to speed up licensing of nuclear plants and at about a decade ago when several plants were approved to be completed months before their operation could be approved by the NRC under the old schedule. Utilities have maintained such delays could cost billions of dollars.

Commission Chairman Joseph M. Hendrie said the rule adopted Tuesday will cut the process of review by the NRC from 14 months to a prospective three months to a prospective month one. Hendrie also said that the rule will not allow the commission to issue a license, but such a stay probably would not come until after the plant was actually in operation.

Eliss Weiss of the Union of Concerned Scientists complained that it was “unreasonable to expect the appeals board to issue a stay if the commission has refused to do so.”

NRC staff estimate that the commission will have to review and grant permission for a licensing board decision to give a plant the go-ahead to start operating. The commission staff said that the rule would cut the expected time for review of a license application by two months.

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Poly students and faculty march on Diablo hearing

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The 1,000 marchers were met by five demonstrators from Cal Poly's Students for Alternative Energy, and from 12 to 15 members of Santa Barbara for a Regional Energy Policy.

Steve Marquis, a Cal Poly student and president of the SAE, criticized the Mothers for Peace and other demonstration leaders with focusing on the politics of the plant, not the safety. He said the leaders are looking for local control of the issue and to discourage other utilities from offering nuclear power plans.

Swanson told the anti-nuclear demonstrators not to threaten the free speech rights of pro-nuclear forces.

Leora Emerson, of Avila Beach, said she remains unconvinced by the anti-nuclear side and its literature that there is danger in nuclear power.

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The rally, which lasted two-and-a-half hours, consisted of music, singing and speeches. The "Fallout Five" and guitarist Lindy Doud entertained the crowd between speeches by several local anti-nuclear leaders.

Marian Mellow, former mayor and present city council member in Pismo Beach, said allowing a nuclear power plant on "the virtual edge of an earthquake fault" to go on line would be "criminal disregard for every citizen in this town and far beyond."

"This plant (Diablo Canyon) could not be built today," said Mellow, "so why should it be allowed to operate? Why should the NRC trade the safety of our children for the profits of PG&E?"

Electrical generation from nuclear power, said David Broadwater of the Oaktree Alliance, was and remains an "afterthought of the atomic bomb." He claimed PG&E is leading a campaign of "lies, irresponsibility, and anti-democracy" to get Diablo Canyon licensed. He said the utility is "eviding responsibility" by not providing adequate earthquake safety measures at the plant or evacuation plans for the surrounding area.

David Fleshaker, attorney for the Mothers for Peace against PG&E and Diablo Canyon for the past eight years, told the shouting crowd it was time for PG&E's executives "to pull up their pants, saddle up to the table, swallow hard" and make a decision to keep Diablo closed until it was safe.

Attending from an area 100 miles downwind of Diablo Canyon, Bill Wallace, chairman of the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors, said the Diablo Canyon issue was one of life or death. "I've found that you don't make every issue a life or death issue because you find yourself dead a lot. But this one is a life or death issue."

Wallace said the Reagan administration "is out to repeal the present and cancel the future." He pledged the support of "a lot of people in Santa Barbara County who will hang tough with you on this."

Former San Luis Obispo County Supervisor and present Cal Poly Biology Professor Richard Krensky ended the rally with a speech he said showed the irresponsibility of the nuclear industry, and by shouting questions to the crowd.

"What will you think before you go to bed tonight, what will you think when you wake up tomorrow morning, what will you tell the NRC tomorrow?" After each question came the shout, "No Diablo!"

Jackson Browne joins citizens in Diablo protest

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Becker expressed concern while the marchers were funneling out of the plaza that there would not be room in the Discovery Inn for the public to observe the hearings. They are discussing emergency evacuation planning and that's something everyone should understand, she said. "I would like to have our people in there.

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"I really count on these hearings doing exactly the opposite of what he (Ruppersperg) did," Browne said. "I'm counting on the people getting angry."

"I was talking to a rancher who was one of the first to protest Diablo, and I've come here to support the people of this county. Hell, I'm afraid 200 miles downwind."

Browne said he was not at the march to speak and did not know the overall affect the march would have.

"I don't have that kind of strategy," he said. "I'm hoping that the Mothers for Peace will be mad in the meetings and let them know it. I'm here as a protester, I'm not here as a musician. There are musicians and painters and ranchers here."

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Some read:

- Know Nukes, Get The Facts
- UCSB Students For Diablo
- Nuclear Energy Saves Lives

But these signs were greatly outnumbered by the anti-nuke signs. A small sample read:

- Hall No, We Won't Glow
- We're Not Your Sheep, PG&E

Not everyone who came to the rally in the Mission Plaza Monday or marched to the Discovery Motor Inn Tuesday opposed the low-power licensing of Diablo Canyon. Diablo draftsman Henry Fletcher lets it be known he doesn't follow the majority view.
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Engineers earn firsts in concrete

A Cal Poly construction engineering crew turned in the fastest times—and claimed its third concrete canoe championship in the last seven years.

The construction crew clocked an overall 3:23 time edging out the Cal Poly SLO civil engineers (3:39) and Chico State. The women's construction team also finished first with a 1:52 clocking followed by Chico State (2:32) and Cal Berkeley (2:35).

The construction crews paddled away with the first place speed honors and earned first place awards for best appearance and overall design at the Ferro-concrete championships staged earlier this month at U.C. Davis.

The Cal Poly construction crew won the championships back-to-back in 1975-76. Concrete canoes from 12 universities in California and Nevada competed in the championships and raced against the clock on a pylon obstacle course.

The award-winning Cal Poly construction engineering concrete canoe crew picked up four firsts earlier this month at the concrete canoe races. The crew includes (front row from left) Chris Sterllos, Joe Lapasinski, Neil Johnston, Janice Carey, Donna Nevins; (back row) Allyn McFarlin, Camille Curci, Katherine Dunklau and Ted Koomen.

New athletic director named

Dick Heaton, associate director of intercollegiate athletics at Cal Poly, has been named acting director of intercollegiate athletics at the university.

In making the announcement, Cal Poly President Warren J. Baker said that he has asked the 44-year-old educator to serve on an interim one-year basis starting Sept. 1.

At that time, Dr. Vic Bucola, Cal Poly director of intercollegiate athletics for the eight years, will return to full-time teaching in the university's physical education department. Two months ago Dr. Bucola announced his request for reassignment.

A native of Waterloo, Iowa, Heaton earned an undergraduate degree in physical education at the University of Northern Iowa. In 1968 he was a two-time all-American wrestler at 177 pounds.

While working on his master's degree in physical education at Cal Poly, he was an assistant wrestling coach. In 1970, he was named director of intramurals and, two years later he became associate director of intercollegiate athletics. He is also on the university's physical education faculty.

Heaton's son, Scott, followed in his father's footsteps. He was a two-time all-American wrestler in the 167-pound weight class for Cal Poly. The younger Heaton also in state high school champion, holds a number of Cal Poly single-season and career records.

The Heatons also have two other children—Lynn, a graduate student at University of Washington, and Jody, a junior at Cal Poly. Mrs. Heaton (Kay) is a physical education teacher at Atascadero High School, and a part-time instructor at Cuesta College.

A Division II sports powerhouse, Cal Poly has amassed 16 national titles, a new record for NCAA Division II schools. Cal Poly competes on the intercollegiate level in 11 men's sports and eight women's sports.
Shaky hearings

It was quite a sight.

The Mission Mall, usually just the site of moderate activity, was packed with people. Individuals walked through the crowds, scanning for a familiar face to bolster them in their support for The Cause. Peddlers hawked T-shirts and buttons, their voices being drowned out by a woman singing "The Age of Aquarius.

The songs then ceased, clearing the way for the speakers. The speakers talked of love and concern for the health and safety of the children of today and of future generations. They incited the audience to actively take part in The War.

The rally would have hardly drawn notice in 1967 when this country's youth was united in the fight against the Vietnam War. But this rally did not occur in 1967 and it did not happen at Berkeley. The rally was held Monday, May 18, 1981, in the usually quiet town of San Luis Obispo. The "long-haired radical hippies" were largely replaced by students who looked like "the establishment," mothers and fathers with small children and elderly people.

These individuals were of varying backgrounds but they were united in a war, a war against allowing the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant to be granted a low-power testing license by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

The NRC's Atomic Safety and Licensing Board is holding "public hearings" on the issue of whether to grant Diablo a license to fire up the plant to 5 percent capacity to see if the plant runs smoothly. The phrase "public hearing" is an ironic one because the NRC has no intentions of enabling the public to participate. No members of the public will be allowed to speak at the hearings, the hearings will be held in cramped rooms, too small to accommodate protesters and the hearings will leapfrog from place to place.

The licensing board will concentrate on two issues: whether there is sufficient proof that valves in the plant's primary cooling system will function properly in case of an emergency and whether the plant's emergency plan is adequate for low-power testing.

It is open to speculation whether the valves will work properly, but doubt is the emergency evacuation plan is adequate. Pacific Gas and Electric Co., in testimony filed before hearings, said that the plant's emergency plans don't meet NRC standards. Work has yet to be completed on the plan. For instance the 77 sires which have been purchased to serve as an early warning system have not been installed. The county then has no true evacuation system, just a map estimating time to evacuation. The city of San Luis Obispo need only a 20-minute evacuation.

Alan Voorhees, hired to do the county's evacuation plan, admitted that under optimum conditions it would take the people of SLO, Morro Bay, Five Cities, Los Osos and Sunset Paillesades three hours to evacuate. However, heavy rains or fog could slow the process to five or six hours. Voorhees couldn't—or wouldn't—speculate on what would happen if a major flood or earthquake struck.

Both PG and E admit the evacuation plan doesn't meet NRC standards. Why even consider giving Diablo a low-power license until the emergency plan meets specifications?

The rallies against nuclear power are over for now, but the fight to keep Diablo from being granted a low-power license has just begun. Hearings are scheduled for today and tomorrow in Veterans Memorial Building, May 22 at the Discovery Inn and May 23 at Cash McCall's Restaurant at 214 Madonna Road. All begin at 9 a.m. Even if you can't speak at the hearings let your voice be heard—the future of the area

Letters

Nukes are better than war

Editor:

Oil is definitely a limited supply. I do not know what we will disagree with me when I say that we need another source of energy. I am advocating nuclear power. The anti-nukes don't have an alternative for oil that is ready now, and now is when we need it. Nuclear power plants are operational and efficient.

Of course, there is a small danger in nuclear power plants. The chances are extremely small of anything dangerous happening. Especially since the Three Mile Island incident. The safety standards have been raised and the inspections are more intense. The U.S. government has estimated that the chances of "you" dying as a result of a nuclear power plant accident is 1 in 5 billion. The question now becomes what will happen if the United States keeps competing with Russia over the remaining oil in the Persian Gulf. There is a definite chance of war. If we have a war with Russia, there is a very good chance that it will become a nuclear war.

I don't know about everyone else, but I would prefer to take my chances with nuclear power plants rather than with nuclear war.

Those who oppose nuclear power don't want to take the minuscule chance that people will die from a nuclear power plant accident. But, I never hear them talk about the thousands of people who die prematurely because of Black Lung and from mining accidents every year. Every form of energy production has a certain risk.

I think we should allow nuclear power plants, rather than risk World War III, which probably would be the last World War.

It bothers me when people become so idealistic that they lose sight of reality. Anti-nuke people have been unreasonable.

Joe Busch

Student Services Office

We need the room

Dennis Students Unlimited, our campus-wide organization for disabled students, is writing to express our grave concern over lack of adequate office space. Our present office (UU 103) measures exactly 17' by 20'. In this small, confining area, over 275 permanents and temporaries to disabled students are provided with essential support services.

These support services are necessary for the survival of this special student minority. They include loan of specialized equipment; provision of tutors, readers, note-takers; MUIR service; Peake Admissions to on-campus programs and training and services; student employment assistance; and counseling services. In addition, the office serves as a meeting place for our organization.

To further complicate the overcrowded situation, our present office is shared with another student organization, Disabled Students Unlimited. This important student group is comprised of over 30 staff members dedicated to providing services to disabled students who don't have their own time to assist children, adults, and senior citizens in our community.

On a typical day, our small office is full to overflowing with staff and students. One wheelchair alone needs a five foot turning radius. There is no privacy for phone use, counseling, tutoring, or reading. Two previous requests to UUBG for additional office space were denied. We are now mobilizing our attempts to obtain the former Tutorial Center in the University Union (UU 112).

Disabled Students Unlimited and Student Community Services are each working hard to improve the quality of life for our disabled students on campus and for persons in need in our community. Our organizations have expanded to the point that they can no longer provide adequate services to students or the community because of our cramped quarters.

We appreciate your hearing our concerns and would be grateful for expressions of support for our efforts to secure adequate space.

Patrick Rockwell
Treasurer-Elect

Disabled Students Unlimited