

In 1966 the Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) announced plans to build a nuclear power plant. The location was to be 12 miles southwest of San Luis Obispo, California, on a beautiful stretch of coastline. The two Westinghouse reactors planned for the site were each designed to have a capacity of 1100 megawatts and were to produce power by the mid-1970's. However, 15 years have passed and the Diablo Canyon plant still sits idle, beset by technical problems unique to this plant and by a determined community-based opposition.

