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TO:

The Commission

FOR SIGNATURE OF :

** GRN **

CRC NO: 00-0218

Miller, RI

DESC:

ROUTING:

INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

Travers
Paperiello
Miraglia
Norry
Blaha
Burns
Collins, NRR

DATE: 03/30/00

ASSIGNED TO:

CONTACT:

RI

Miller

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS OR REMARKS:

Referenced letters not attached.

Chairman Richard A. Meserve
Commissioner Nils J. Diaz
Commissioner Greta J. Dicus
Commissioner Edward McGaffigan, Jr.
Commissioner Jeffrey S. Merrifield
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

March 26, 2000

Dear Chairman Meserve and Commissioners,

We are Republican District Leaders of election district 19 in Peekskill, N.Y. and are writing you to express concerns over the significant level 2 leakage at the Indian Point 2 nuclear power plant on February 15, 2000.

Attached are letters we wrote to officials at Con Edison and the New York Power Authority who own and operate the Indian Point 2 and 3 plants respectively.

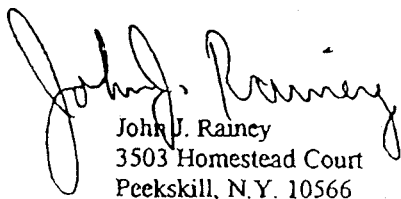
In regard to Indian Point 2, we support a petition drafted by Assemblywoman Sandra Galef and signed by several elected officials within a ten-mile radius of Indian point. They demand Con Edison to immediately replace current steam generators in operation for the past twenty-five years with new ones on hand that are scheduled for replacement in 20004. It is believed that the current steam generators are worn and contributed to the leakage. Con Edison plans to plug the leaks rather than replace the steam generators.

It is also our opinion that there is no margin for error in the operation of a nuclear power plant due to the catastrophic circumstances that can occur.


We would also like to know how Con Edison has been allowed to operate with steam generators in such disrepair especially since its neighbor, Indian Point 3, was forced by your commission to close for an extended period of time in recent years due to operational safety considerations. The public entrusts you to ensure that these plants operate at the utmost safety standards.

Finally, we would like to know your plans to assure an optimum level of safety at Indian Points 2 and 3 in the future. As you know, Indian Point 3 may be sold soon and we ask that you take particular interest in the ability and track record of any potential purchaser in operating such an important entity. We also request that you pressure Con Edison not to increase rates as a result of the leakage which has been rumored to be a consideration in cost coverage of the damage and future repairs.

Thank you for your time and consideration and we look forward to hearing from you in the near future.


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Sincerely,


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