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Indian Point Units 2 and 3 License Renewal Application

NRC Docket Nos. 50-247-LR and 50-286-LR

ASLBP No. 07-858-03-LR-BD01

Dear Secretary Vietti-Cook:

Re:

As a Hudson Valley resident, I am writing today to express my support for the relicensing of the Indian Point Energy Center located in Buchanan, New York. The continued operation of Indian Point plays an integral role in preserving local land values and maintaining a reliable and lowcost energy source.

I believe that the Indian Point Energy Center is a positive asset for the Hudson Valley region and for the State of New York due to the significant contributions made to the regional economy that support local land values and for the essential role Indian Point plays to ensure the reliability of our electrical grid.

As the Indian Point Energy Center employs 1,100 highly skilled full-time individuals, the facility serves as an economic engine for the region.

Local businesses, such as the ones located in Buchanan, NY, survive and thrive off Indian Point's annual economic infusion. Indian Point employees frequent Buchanan shops; the site pays significant taxes; Entergy supports many non-profit organizations; and many employees participate in the community as soccer coaches, PTA presidents, volunteer firefighters and other critical positions that make this area a well sought-after location to raise a family.

From an electric reliability standpoint, Indian Point supplies between 25% and 30% of the electricity for New York City and the lower Westchester County area. The baseload supply of electricity from the plants helps to maintain the reliability of the electric grid. This crucial fact has been recognized by numerous entities, including the local utility, Con Edison, and the overseer of the state's electrical grid, the New York Independent System Operator.

Indian Point is right for New York because the facility is safe, secure and vital. This is why I support the relicensing of the Indian Point Energy Center and urge the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to do the same.

It has been in the area since the 1960's and has been safe and secure with no incidents that would affect the people I near Indian Point.

Sincerely,

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