

"One can never  
consent to creep  
when one feels an  
impulse to soar."

— Helen Keller



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September 19, 2012 (8:30 a.m.)

Re: 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

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Dear Sir or Madam:

I represent Guiding Eyes for the Blind, an organization based in northern Westchester, New York that enables freedom for blind and visually impaired persons and families with children with autism by providing professionally trained service dogs. I am writing to express my support for the relicensing of Indian Point Units 2 and 3 in Buchanan, NY. It is my understanding that the NRC is considering numerous issues in connection with the license renewal application, including the effect of relicensing on land values in the area near the plants.

Indian Point has approximately 1,100 employees and usually has, on average, another 200 contractors on site. The facility spends \$137 million in annual full-time employee payroll, pays \$75 million in annual property taxes and revenue sharing with the State of New York, and makes annual donations of roughly \$1.5 million to area charities. 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.

Indian Point's significant positive economic impact and its important contribution to grid reliability, along with its commitment to support our community are factors that add to the value of living and working in Westchester County. I encourage you to renew the license for Indian Point after you have completed the appropriate economic and environmental reviews.

Thank you for considering my comments on this issue.

Sincerely,

Susan Dishart  
Vice President

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