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Representative Nita M. Lowey

TO:

Chairman Meserve

FOR SIGNATURE OF : \*\* PRI \*\*

CRC NO: 00-0204

Chairman

DESC:

ROUTING:

INDIAN POINT 2 NUCLEAR POWER FACILITY

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Norry  
Blaha  
Burns  
Miller, RI  
Congel, IRO  
Ott, OEDO

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**ACTION OFFICE:** EDO

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**ADDRESSEE:** RICHARD MESERVE  
**SUBJECT:** Concerns Indian Point Power Facility

**ACTION:** Signature of Chairman  
**DISTRIBUTION:** RF, OGC, SECY/RAS

**LETTER DATE:** 03/22/2000  
**ACKNOWLEDGED:** No  
**SPECIAL HANDLING:** OCA TO ACK  
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**FILE LOCATION:** IDR 5 INDIAN POINT  
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am writing out of concern about the status of Indian Point 2 nuclear power facility. I believe the owners and regulators of the facility have a responsibility to prevent the reopening of Indian Point 2 until several conditions are met to protect the health and safety of the residents of the surrounding communities.

As you know, the following conditions have been raised by several scientific and community advocacy organizations including the Pace Law School Energy Project, the Public Citizen's Critical Mass Energy Project, and the Union of Concerned Scientists. I join these organizations in urging that the plant remain closed until:

- all four steam generators are replaced;
- Dr. Joram Hopenfeld's on-going safety concerns regarding the NRC's policies and procedures to a.) permit plants to operate with damaged steam generator tubes; b.) use the Westinghouse methodology to test the tubes; and c.) appoint a panel of NRC experts, instead of an independent panel, to evaluate his objections, are fully addressed and resolved; and
- potassium iodide (KI) tablets are distributed to residents and businesses within the 10-mile emergency planning zone and are stockpiled in the vicinity of the Indian Point 2 facility.

I believe that implementation of these three recommendations before Indian Point 2 is reopened will help maintain public health and safety while reviewing the efficiency and effectiveness of the facility. In addition, I request a public meeting in Westchester County to discuss these three recommendations and other public concerns.

3/23...To EDO to Prepare Response for Chairman's Signature....Date due Comm: 4/6  
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I appreciate your attention to this matter, and I look forward to a response from your office regarding these recommendations. Please send all correspondence to my White Plains District Office. Thank you again for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress

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