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Representative William D. Delahunt

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FINAL REPLY:

TO:
Travers, EDO

FOR SIGNATURE OF : ** GRN **
Travers, EDO

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DESC:
Spent Fuel Rods Stored at Pilgrim
(Eleanor S. Beth)

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January 29, 2001

Dr. William D. Travers
Executive Director for Operations
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
11555 Rockville Pike
Rockville, MD 02852

Dear Dr. Travers:

I am contacting you on behalf of Eleanor Beth, the Town Manager of Plymouth, Massachusetts. Ms. Beth is inquiring whether the town is entitled to NRC compensation for having spent fuel rods stored at the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Plant located in the town. Please see enclosed correspondence.

I would appreciate your attention to Ms. Beth's request and your response to me at 1495 Hancock Street, Quincy, Ma 02169.

Sincerely,



William D. Delahunt

Enclosure



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Congressman William Delahunt
1317 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

William D. Delahunt, M.C.

Dear Congressman Delahunt:

Bill

The issue of the location and the cost for permanent storage for the spent fuel at nuclear power plants, including Pilgrim, has been discussed and debated for many years.

In these times when we are seeing a decline in payments from Boston Edison following deregulation, the questions regarding the future of the spent fuel and the large sums of money that have been paid to the federal government for this purpose become an even greater issue. Several citizens, including the Ad Hoc Committee on Revenue, Expenditures and Services appointed by the Selectmen to look for ways to save money and bring in more revenue, have asked that we look to recoup some of this money.

Enclosed is a letter from Entergy stating that the amount paid into the federal government's fund from all 103 plants nation wide is \$16.5 billion. Just in the past year and a half, Entergy has paid \$6.5 million themselves (and I'm sure BECO paid many times that amount prior to the sale) into this fund and we have seen no progress in the resolution of the problem. Until the federal government finds a permanent location for this fuel, perhaps the Town should receive at least a portion of that fund for hosting this spent fuel for the last close to 20 years.

The Town of Plymouth would appreciate your office looking into the future of this spent fuel and the vast sums of money that have been paid to the federal government and not used for their stated purpose. If the Town could recoup some of that money, it would be of great assistance in replacing some of the lost revenue from the Boston Edison following deregulation.

Thank you for your help with this issue.

Sincerely,

Eleanor S. Beth

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Town Manager



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