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Chairman Meserve

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Permanent Storage Facility for the Radioactive  
Spent Fuel Rods at the Indian Point 1, 2, and 3  
Nuclear Plants

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Mr. Richard Meserve  
Chairman  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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Dear Chairman Meserve:

I am writing concerning nuclear power plants Indian Points 1, 2, and 3 in Buchanan, New York. For decades the federal government has been promising a permanent storage facility for the radioactive spent fuel rods. Onsite storage facilities were made and have been used, with the understanding that they were only to be temporary.

Westchester County's Indian Point nuclear facility lies in the most highly populated area of any plant in the country. Exposure to radiation is a real threat to residents, and the continued storage of nuclear waste in aging temporary storage facilities near their homes adds to their health and safety concerns.

The time has come when the federal government must live up to its promise for creation of a permanent storage facility for spent fuel rods, and other nuclear waste. A site needs to be determined, and an acceptable timetable for it's creation made-up.

I thank you for your review of this matter. This is a matter of great importance for not merely New York State, but for the entire country. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Sandra R. Galef  
Member of Assembly