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August 2, 2004

Chairman Nils J. Diaz
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Dear Chairman Diaz:

Local Union #2018 is writing to express our support for the license extension for Oyster Creek Generating Station. While the plant's owners and operators, Exelon/AmerGen. have not filed for the 20-year extension, they have signaled their intent to do so. An additional 20 years of operation for the plant would provide ongoing jobs for people in the local trades, as well as a stronger tax base and disposable income in Ocean County, along with other nearby communities.

Our brothers and sisters built this plant and continue to service it. For example, every 18 months or so, Oyster Creek must take the plant safely out of service to refuel and perform maintenance. Our people fill most of the additional jobs - up to 1,000 or more. These positions last from several weeks to over a month depending on the work needing to be done. Additionally, we service the plant through on-going maintenance from time to time.

The payroll from these positions goes directly into the local economy - restaurants, gas stations, motels and other retail stores. A recent Economic Impact Study demonstrated that Oyster Creek generated more than \$69 million in direct and indirect wages and compensation in New Jersey and more than \$52 million in Ocean County in 2003.

We urge you to support the safe, long-term operation of Oyster Creek, for the jobs the plant provides, and the economic benefits it brings locally and statewide. In our work with plant officials, it is clear that the plant is maintained and upgraded to ensure it meets all safe operating standards. Our people would not work there if they didn't believe it was safe.

Your support for Oyster Creek's clean, safe reliable long-term operation is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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