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It is absolutely critical that the NRC adopt the Committee to Bridge the Gap's petition for rulemaking for "Upgrading the Design Basis Threat Regulations for Protection Against Terrorist Attacks on Nuclear Reactors" (submitted July 23, 2004 to the NRC; posted in the Federal Register on Nov. 8, 2004 Vol. 69 Number 215).

The planes that destroyed the World Trade Center buildings on September 11, 2001 flew over the Indian River Nuclear facility (25 miles outside of NYC) on their way to the Trade Center. Indian River could just as easily have been the target that day, which would have resulted in a radioactive catastrophe that would have dwarfed what happened to the Trade Center. Both the International Atomic Energy Agency and the NRC itself have admitted that plant containment structures were not built to withstand attacks from airliners such as those used by Osama Bin Laden's followers on September 11, 2001.

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