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Deny license extension to Millstone

The operators of the Millstone Nuclear Reactors are seeking to renew their license. If renewed, these reactors will be up and running for another 20 years, yet there are no emergency plans in place for eastern Long Island in the event of an incident or accident at the facility.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is accepting comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for relicensing. The DEIS ignores the safety threats to Long Island residents and the environmental impacts of the aging reactors.

Reasons to oppose:

1. The Millstone DEIS is completely silent on impacts to Long Island. Shoreham did not come on line because we couldn't put an evacuation plan in place.

2. Millstone has been operating with an expired Clean Water Act discharge permit since 1997. The Clean Water Act mandates permit holders to obtain five-year permits so that every five years they will have to demonstrate that they have implemented best available technology to reduce or eliminate pollution if they want their permits renewed. Millstone has been able to get away with operating with non-updated technology an extra five years.

3. Millstone is responsible for the depletion of native fish species through the operations of its intake structures. All these assaults on the environment would end if (a) Millstone were shut down or (b) if Millstone converted to closed cooling system. This important issue certainly affects Long Island because of the dispersion of toxic and radioactive waste byproducts by tidal and wave action.

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