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Secretary U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Dear Secretary Nuclear Regulatory Commission,

I live in Pleasantville, NY, less than 10 miles from the Indian Point nuclear power plant located in Buchanan, New York. I am concerned that the current relicensing regulations are not in the best interest of the public - and our health and safety.

I am writing to support Westchester County Executive Andrew Spano's 2.802 petition PRM-54-02, which would require the NRC to take into account crucial components of public health and safety such as population density, infrastructure, and emergency planning during the license renewal process.

One of the many things which concerns me is the lack of infrastructure to support the evacuation of people in the case of an emergency. We have total traffic jams, with no vehicles moving, on many of our highways and other major road whenever there is an accident or one major road is flooded. It is clear that it would be impossible for a majority of the inhabitants of Westchester to evacuate by car. And whatever the emergency, even if only those in a 10 mile radius were asked to evacuate, there would be panic and disbelief, and almost everyone would try to evacuate. I have decided that I will not get in my car if there is an emergency at Indian Point. It would be better to remain where I am than to be stuck on the road, unable to move, for hours on end.

Again, I urge the NRC to seriously consider the public health and safety such as population density, infrastructure, and emergency planning during the license renewal process. It will be clear that no evacuation of this densely populated region would work.

Sincerely,

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