

The Legislature of Rockland County



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Chairwoman

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A.R. Blough, Director
Division of Reactor Safety, Region 1
U S Nuclear Regulatory Commission – Region 1
475 Allendale Road
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Dear Mr. Blough:

You are well aware of the concerns raised by elected officials and residents of Rockland and Westchester Counties about the contaminated leakages emanating from Indian Point.


Presentations have been made to assuage concerns by reference to acceptable levels of release per maximally exposed individuals. It was, however, stated at a March 28, 2006 meeting of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region I in response to an audience member question that dose limits described were for adults.

According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency relative to radionuclides in drinking water standards, there is a separate and explicit risk differential for children. The NRC website cites permissible exposure to minors as 10 percent of the annual limits for an adult.

I request all data regarding dose limits for children, particularly as they may apply to the leakage contamination at Indian Point. Children are not small adults and I am very concerned about the potential adverse impact of radioactive materials on the infants, children and youth of Rockland County.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Very truly yours,


HARRIET D. CORNELL
Chairwoman of the Legislature

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cc: All Legislators
Hon. C. Scott Vanderhoef
Dorice Madronero, President – Rockland County Conservations Association
Dr. Joan Facelle, Commissioner of Health