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Mr. Dale Klein, Chairman  
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Dear Commisioner Klein:

Ref: SEE 104403

Please accept this letter as an indication of my continued interest on behalf of the residents of Newfield, NJ regarding Shieldalloy's proposed decommissioning plan of their site.

As you know, On December 14, 2006, I contacted the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to formally request a public hearing be granted for the purpose of identifying the problems with this proposed plan since the residents and I find it unacceptable. Quite simply, I oppose the current decommissioning plan and I reject Shieldalloy's course of action to simply cap and irresponsibly leave the slagpile onsite.

On behalf of the Newfield residents, I thank Commissioner Jeffrey S. Merrifield for his affirmative action in personally visiting the site on February 20, 2007. The Newfield residents and I were pleased that he was able to tour the facility and witness firsthand the mountain of radioactive material that remains at the site. I hope that this tour served as an informative tour for Commissioner Merrifield and that he will be able to share his visit experience with you and the Commissioners as you render a decision on this time-sensitive matter. Additionally, I commend Commissioner Merrifield for encouraging Shieldalloy to pursue further dialogue with the other interested parties to determine if there are other feasible options to safely clean up the site in a cost effective manner.

To protect the public health and to prevent any long-term affects on the welfare of the residents of Newfield, I ask that you carefully consider the impact of these serious health and environmental issues if this plan was approved. I therefore urge the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to render a decision opposing the proposed onsite decommissioning plan.

As I have stated previously, Newfield residents deserve to live in a community free from any contamination. I am confident that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission will take the necessary action to approve a plan that will appropriately remediate this site without posing risks to health and safety of the Newfield community.

Thank you for your time in reviewing my correspondence which opposes Shieldalloy's proposed decommissioning plan. I look forward to receiving your reply so that I may advise the Newfield residents accordingly. Please forward your reply to my District Office located at 63 North Broad Street, Woodbury, NJ 08096.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert E. Andrews", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke at the end.

Robert Andrews  
Member of Congress

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