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Dear Mr. Pham:

As a both an Indian Point employee and Hudson Valley resident, I implore you to approve the relicensing of the Indian Point Energy Center in Buchanan, New York. During several public forums on the subject of Indian Point, I am continually appalled and disappointed by the lack of factual information communicated to the public about the benefits of nuclear power for this region.

Too often, representatives from Indian Point and Entergy are not presented with a balanced platform from which to offer expert opinions on operational safety, security, emergency planning, air quality and the economic viability of a well-run Indian Point and its positive effect on the surrounding communities.

Of special concern for me as an area resident is the issue of air quality. Several times over the past several years, the Environmental Protection Agency and American Lung Association have reported on the lower Hudson Valley region's considerably polluted air. My family and neighbors are worried about this alarming trend, and quite uncomfortable with the idea of taking the area's largest source of carbon-free electricity off the grid.

While Indian Point is located in this region, its two nuclear units have never contributed carbon emissions (through the production of over 2,000 megawatts of much-needed electricity) to this problem given the benefits of nuclear technology in combating global warming. Even Greenpeace co-founder and nuclear power advocate Dr. Patrick Moore has noted as much in many speeches he has given throughout this area.

For the good of the region, and in light of the need for more environmentally friendly sources of electricity – not less of them – I ask you to support the relicensing of the Indian Point Energy Center.

Sincerely,


Dr. Muzaffer Karasulu

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