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Bo Pham

Dear Bo Pham,

I formally request that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission address the following environmental and public health issues in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Indian Point nuclear power plant:

- 1: the impacts of a terrorist attack or large-scale accident at Indian Point on the Croton Reservoir, a drinking water supply for New York City and Westchester County residents;
- 2: the impacts of Indian Point's once-through cooling system on the Hudson River fish populations - including entrainment, impingement, and thermal pollution - using the most current scientific studies;
- 3: the build-up of high-level radioactive waste at Indian Point and the ongoing radioactive leaks originating from at least two spent fuel pools;
- 4: the alternatives to Indian Point's nuclear power, using a combination of renewable energy (wind, solar, geothermal), conservation, and clean natural gas, as offered by the 2006 National Academy of Sciences report. Why is conservation played down by the industry, the government and the media. We can, right now, stop wasting energy and minimize loss through the transmission systems. If we are a country at war, why are we not being asked by the Federal government to at least conserve.

Where is the push to develop alternative technology. Let's use the brain power of our citizens, let's use the collective desire of the people to participate in conservation, at least. Let's talk about the good jobs that would be generated from renewable energy projects.

5. the privatizing of yet another industry that answers to

no-one should be reversed. A utility like nuclear energy is one that should be strictly controlled, not allowed to lobby and get tax write-offs and push for unlimited permission to be re-licensed for another 20 years without controls.

6. let's honestly discuss the ridiculous notion that we need a good siren warning system near the Indian Point plant. Surely those within the first 10 mile radius will have no chance to survive, even if they get out initially. Do these people know how dangerous this facility really is? Should we be talking about early warning systems that can be projected to those living in the 10-50 mile radius zone?

7. Is the area around Chernobyl ever going to be safe to inhabit? What would really happen to NYC and the surrounding areas if this nuclear facility has a Chernobyl (of three mile island) type accident. What if there is a terrorist attack at Indian Point? Isn't it a most logical target for a terrorist enemy that would want to destroy New York? Isn't it likely that the months left in this Bush administration would be an obvious time to attack. It would refute all the rhetoric about how safe we are in this country under this administration. We may now be living in a very worrisome time.

Re-license? CRAZY.

Sincerely,
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