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June 26, 1979

Mr. Tom Elsasser Regional State Liason Officer Nuclear Regulatory Commission 631 Park Avenue King of Prussia Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Elsasser:

I would like to personally thank you for testifying at our hearings. There are however a few remaining questions I would like answered.

- 1. Is there a built in leakage to the reactors that causes continuous emissions of low level radiation? Might these emissions be the cause of the higher informat mortality rate in the N.Y.C. area.
- 2. What is the schedule for implementing NRCs suggested modification in fire protection at Indian Point 2 & 3?
- 3. The structure housing the emergency diesel generators at Indian Point 3 is superious to that of Indian Point 2. Likewise Indian Point 3 has a far more superious vital battery system than does Indian Point 2. What is the status of upgrading Indian Point 2 with regard to these matters. (These statements were made by Dr. Polland)

I am anxiously awaiting a response from you on these questions.

Sincerely,

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# UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION REGION I

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Mr. Robert Davis Squash Hollow Road New Milford, Connecticut

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Dear Mr. Davis:

Thank you for your letter of June 11, 1979 and the attached petition and signatures dated June 10, 1979, requesting the shutdown of the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant.

In response to your question to let you know what we plan to do concerning the Indian Point site, it is, and always has been, our policy to permit reactors to operate if we believe they are doing so safely. Whenever an issue has come up that has placed the continued safe operation of a reactor into question, the staff of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission has acted promptly to require the licensee to either resolve the problem or if it can not be satisfactorily resolved within a required period of time to have the plant shutdown until the problem is resolved.

Regarding the petition, I am forwarding this along with the rest of your letter to our Headquarters in Washington, D. C.

Sincerely,

Karl Abraham

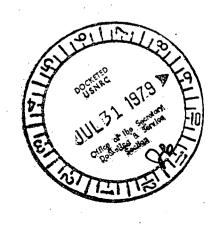
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cc: VMr. Chase R. Stephens, Chief, Docketing & Service Branch, SECY (w/ltr. and petition from Mr. R. Davis dated June 11, 1979)



Dear Sira

Last night at a meeting of the Housatone Safe Cnergy Alliance we discussed the Indian Point Nuclear Pawer Plant, which is about 30 miles north-west of as It is frightening to live so close to what is evidently one of the most ineptly run and dangerous nuclear reactors in the natury. Please let me know what your plans are concerning Indian Point



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August 1, 1978

Ms. Lynn Chong 70 Highland St. Plymouth, NH 03264

Dear Ms. Chong:

Your letter of July 23 addressed to former Chairman Marcus Rowden was referred to this office for reply.

As a strictly regulatory agency, we do not have very much documentation of a general nature or "hand-out" material to provide. Most of our publications relate to rulemaking or individual or generic licensing matters. However, I am enclosing a copy of the legislation that created our agency and a copy of our most recent Annual Report to Congress which will provide information on the kinds of work we are involved in and our areas of responsibility.

Regarding the changes for earthquakes at Indian Point, there was a lengthy, adjudicatory hearing on the seismology of that region at which both our Staff and the Columbia seismologists testified, resulting in an October 1977 decision. Our staff has reviewed the more recent information published by the Columbia seismologists, including the assumptions used, and finds that it did not alter our previous conclusion concerning the site.

I hope you will find this information helpful.

Sincerely,

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Clare Miles
Public Affairs Officer
Office of Public Affairs

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70 Highland Street
Plymouth, NH 03264
July 23, 1978

Nuclear Regulatory Commission 1717 H Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20055

Dear Mr. Rowden:

I am giving myself a crash-course in our current atomic energy dilemma. I am more and more interested in the NRC, its history, its make-up, its power. In the July issue of SMITHSONIAN a large discrepency is pointed out between your estimate for chances of earthquake at Indian Point and some Columbia Univeristy seismologists' estimates for chances of earthquake at Indian Point. Since it is such a serious matter, would you please send me all the public relations material you have. And if you have the time to respond personally, I'd value knowing your reaction to this discrepency.

Thank you very much,

Lynn Chong

member, Plymouth Concerned
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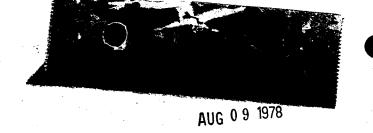
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Mr. Marcus Rowden, Chairman
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Docket File 50-3

The Honorable Helen Heyner United States House of Representatives

Dear Congresswoman Reyner:

Washington, D.C. 20515

On May 26, 1978, we responded to your April 24, 1978 request related to an April 1978 letter to you from Rose Marie Rush on the subject of the Ramapo Fault and its relationship to the Indian Point Nuclear Plant, as discussed in an article by Drs. Aggarwal and Sykes.

In that response we indicated that this matter would be discussed with the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) and that we would send you a copy of the results of our evaluation of the data used by Aggarwal and Sykes when it becomes available.

Subsequent to our May 26, 1978 letter to you, we met with a joint subcommittee of the ACRS on June 16, 1978. Present at that meeting were Grs. Aggarwal and Sykes, ACRS subcommittee members and ACRS consultants on seismic matters, as well as technical staff members of the MRC's Office of Muclear Reactor Regulation and the technical staff of the licensee, the Power Authority of the State of New York and its seismic consultant. A summary of our evaluation of the Aggarwal and Sykes data is presented in a transcript of that meeting beginning on page 176. The licensee's evaluation begins on page 139. A copy of the transcript is enclosed.

This matter was also reviewed by the full ACRS at its July 6-8, 1978 meeting as noted in a July 13, 1978 ACRS report to Chairman Hendrie. A copy of that report is enclosed. As that report notes, based on these recent studies concerning the seismicity of the Indian Point region, there continues to be insufficient basis for a change in the current seismic criteria for this plant.

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I trust this information, which supplements our May 26, 1978 letter to you, is responsive to the concerns of your constituent.

Sincerely.

Original Signed by H. R. Denton

Harold R. Denton, Director Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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The Honorable Helen Neyner United States House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congresswoman Heyner:

I am pleased to respond to your memorandum to Carlton C. Kammerer dated April 24, 1978, regarding a letter to you from Rose Marie Rush dated April 1978. Her letter expressed concern about the earthquake potential at the Indian Point Muclear Plant posed by the Ramapo fault. She had read an article in the Easton Express about a report by Dr. Yash Aggarwal and Dr. Lynn Sykes, two Columbia University scientists, which concludes that the likelihood of a major earthquake at the Indian Point site is greater than had been considered by the Nuclear Regulatory Cemmission (NRC). The staff of the NRC recently received reprints of the study by Aggarwal and Sykes in which they reviewed historic and recent seismic data and developed conclusions concerning the seismic hezard near the Ramano fault in northern New Jersey and southwestern New York. The stuff is examining these scientific results In some detail to determine whether and to what extent they may impact our previous conclusions regarding the earthquake design requirements for the Indian Point power plants. There is no evidence presently available which indicates to us that a destructive earthquake along the Ramapo fault is likely in the interim.

A special public hearing on the seismic and geological aspects of the Indian Point nuclear reactor site was initiated by the Commission in its memorandum and order of August 4, 1975. That memorandum and order was prompted by seismic and geologic questions raised during the operating license proceedings for the Indian Point 2 and Indian Point 3 reactors. One of the four issues in that hearing was the seismicity of the Ramapo fault. Dr. Sykes and Dr. Aggarwal participated as expert witnesses for the State of New York in that hearing. Thirty-five days of hearings were held on these issues from April 21, 1976, until July 25, 1976. An additional six days of hearings were held from March 15, 1977, to March 23, 1977. On October 12, 1977, the Appeal Board issued its decision. With respect to the Ramapo fault the Board concluded that the Ramapo fault is not a capable fault under Appendix A. 10 CFR 100.

Your constituent also expressed a concern about the more general issue of siting reactors near earthquake hazards. In this regard, Appendix A to 10 CFR 100, "Seismic and Geologic Siting Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants", describes the nature of investigations regulred to obtain the geologic and seismic data necessary to determine site suitability and to provide reasonable assurance that a nuclear power plant can be constructed and operated at a proposed site without undue risk to the health and safety of the public. It describes procedures for determining the quantitative vibratory ground motion design basis at a site due to earthquakes and describes information needed to determine whether and to what extent a nuclear power plant need be designed to withstand the effects of surface faulting.

We have sent a copy of the report by Aggarwal and Sykes to the Appeal Board and are also planning to forward a copy of the licensee's evaluation to the Board. A copy of the evaluation is enclosed for your information. The NRC staff plans to address this issue at a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) in July 1978. When we complete our evaluation of the data used by Aggarwal and Sykes. we will write a report that will be sent to the Appeal Board and to the ACRS. We will also send you a copy of that report when it becomes available.

Your constituent asked whether there are other nuclear plants within a few miles of the Ramapo fault. There are no other nuclear power plants in the vicinity of the Ramapo fault. The closest other reactor is a research reactor, the Union Carbide Research Reactor located in Sterling Forest, Orange County, New York. This reactor is within 5 to 10 miles of the fault.

I trust this information is responsive to the concerns of your constituent.

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Dear Congressionan Meyner Elle an april 17, 1978, the article which is enclosed appeared in the Easton Express. The concern which resulted on reading the article is what prompts me to write this letter The facts which result on reading the article are as follows: 1) Tuo Columbia scientists believe that an earthquake will stuke New Jersey (3) The fault where the earthquake will Hake place lies very near a muclear reactor 3.) This possibility is refuted by the Nuclear Regulatory Commussion by virtue of the fact that their study some years back is probably what allowed the reactor to be built within a mile of Indian Point, N. y about 15 miles from New Jersey border, 47 The

Columbia scientists au also refuted by Con Ed. 5) The article does not say how many other nuclear reactors lie along the fautt or within a few miles of Hew Jersey. I ask you Mrs. Meyner, has the world gone mady? If there is a 1% chance, a 30% chance, a 90% chance that an earthquake well destroy a nuclear reactor what difference will a statistic make? Why art reactors built in such a haphagard fashion. I need not tell you what one explosion will do to the residents of the states of New Jersey and New York. It is quite possible that the destruction to life itself would occur, I look bit those who seem to be taking sides on this issue: tuo Columbia scientists V. ConEd

and possibly the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Con Ed certainly would be in a position to uant to protect its interests, and eve american government book states that gulatory rommissions set up to defend the public interest tends rather to support business interests. On the other side are two scientists - what possible motive would they have? I confess, I do not have all the facts, but if such a devartating possibility can occur, I besuch you, help stop this insanity. Our children will know catastrophe if we now allow these scientists words to go unheeded. The possibility of the human life due to mucliar destruction of. the reality of the kannot be amply described; the man imagination can ply never deal with Sincerely



Congressionan Helen Meyner 107 Cannon House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515



percent chance a strong earthquake wil the Ramapo Border Fault. two Columbia rock New Jersey in the next 40 years alon NEWARK, N.J. (AP) - There is a 5 to 1 University scientists say

Scientists Say

Major Quake

Looms in NJ

New Jersey is 10 times more likely than previous studies had indicated said Dr. The possibility of a major earthquake in

The fault is a tear in the earth's crust which runs through Peapack in northern New Jersey and passes within a mile of the nuclear power reactors at Indian Point. ash Aggarwal and Dr. Lynn Sykes.

major earthquake is 10 times greater than had been computed by the Nuclear shock equal to or greater than the intensity Regulatory Commission, and the statistics the Indian Point reactors are designed to used by the Columbia scientists applies to The scientists say the likelihood of

Officials at the Consolidated Edison Co., which operates the reactors 15 miles from method of computation. ConEd engineers say the odds of a strong shock are remote and that the reactors would be safe even if a the New Jersey border, have strongly criticized the Columbia researchers powerful earthquake occured

those two quakes and from 31 others in the recorded within a mile of the reactors. That size in Oakland last September appeared to Aggarwal and Sykes used data from On Sept. 22, 1976, a small earthquake was earthquake along with another of similar occur along the Ramapo faul

They concluded that the fault is active region since 1962 to study seismic activity and that future large earthquakes can be along the tear. expected.

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December 9, 1977

Mrs. E. McKinna 1430 Parkchester Road Bronx, New York 10462 93 d 10

Dear Mrs. McKinna:

Your recent letter to President Carter has been referred to us for reply.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is an independent agency established to assure that, if nuclear power is used to produce electricity, the public health and safety add the environment are protected. The procedures we use for doing this are described in the enclosed booklet "Licensing of Nuclear Power Reactors."

Currently there are two nuclear power reactors licensed for operation in the Hudson River Valley-Units 2 and 3 at Consolidated Edison Company's Indian Point Nuclear Power Station near Buchanan. These units were licensed for operation and are inspected according to the procedures outlined in the booklet.

At the present time, we are aware of only two more nuclear power plants which might be sited on the Hudson River. The Power Authority of the State of New York has applied for a permit to build its proposed Greene County Nuclear Power Station on a site near Cementon.

The environmental considerations related to the application presently are the subject of a joint public hearing being conducted by one of our Atomic Safety and Licensing Boards and the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment. The staff's review of the safety considerations is continuing and will have to be considered by the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board during a public hearing. Accordingly, we do not expect that there will be a final decision on this application until late in 1978.

In addition, New York State Gas and Electric Company and Long Island Lighting Company have announced that they are considering plans for a nuclear power facility. One possible site is near Stuyvesant. Should an application be submitted, it will be reviewed and acted on using our procedures, which provide for public participation.

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As discussed in the enclosed public announcement, the NRC amended its regulations earlier this year to provide for early review of site suitability issues in connection with planned nuclear power facilities. Under the new regulations, the public would have an opportunity for more effective participation—at an earlier time—in the site selection process. We are encouraging utilities to avail themselves of the early site review.

Sincerely,

Joseph J. Fouchard Acting Director Office of Public Affairs

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NROW. Dear President Carker! I writing to you regarding!
Muchan Hower Banks in the Gludson Consolidated Edison is proposing certain sites that Vil wolded like to oftain for an erection of a nuclear Power Plant in out area. New York State is extremely large and there is plenty! I vacant land further north For a sike and this would not involve hundreds of Jamilies (500) as their plans now involve Please excuse me for writing to you about this when I know you have other important thatters or your

agenda. Leef I am sure you as a Jamely enterested person would feel the same way if this proposed site involved your home and property. An enclosing Porneliterature that O received. That something will be done about this so we can enjoy (along with all the afters involved) the years we have left for Sur peterement. Best wishes for a Happy and Healthy Holidays Season for you and your family Mespectfully Mrs & McKinna also = Read Rel \_ 1430 Park chester Rd Red Hook My Brong My 10462

tension fences, electronic sensors, watch dogs, and para-military guards with orders to shoot to kill. After its maximum 30-year life-span, each reactor in the complex would undergo decommissioning, a process that has yet to be developed for a large scale commercial reactor. The facility would be dismantled, chopped up, and shipped to a waste repository, or the buildings would be sealed with cement and would require perpetual guarding. It is likely that the site itself would remain permanently unusable. Not much of an inheritance for the use of our land and hard earned taxpayers' dollars.

# AN ADDED BONUS — 765 Ky LINES

In conjunction with the plans to construct nuclear generating complexes far from intended load centers, the Power Authority of the State of New York has proposed and "legally" begun construction of an extensive network of ultra high voltage transmission lines to carry the power to these load centers. The 765 Kv (765,000 volts) lines extending from Canada to New York City would be supported by towers 100-200 feet high and would be threaded through corridors 250 feet wide with possible protective zones of up to 1800 feet or more. Two of the proposed lines will transverse Greene and Columbia Counties and then head south through Dutchess County. Although the exact route through Dutchess has not been announced it will most likely have direct impact on the towns of Milan, Stanford, Clinton and Pleasant Valley.

Noise Pollution, induced electric shock (farmers cultivating fields nearby, if permitted to do so, would have to ground their equipment with chains to avoid shocks), the yet undetermined biological and psychological effects of long term exposure to electromagnetic fields, the harmful respiratory and ecological effects of ozone generation, interference with cardiac pacemakers, a potential increase in human skin cancer, the permanent degradation of the delicate ecological character of 30,000 acres of Adirondack land, the aesthetic and environmental effects on all land adjoining the corridor and interference with radio and T.V. transmission are a few

of the detrimental effects these lines could have on the Hudson Valley. All this for the "ephemeral and non-recurring one-year fuel saving to the average residential Con Ed customer of \$4.92" (New York Public Service Commissioner Harold A. Jerry).

# WE CAN'T STOP CON ED WITHOUT YOUR HELP

Con Edison can be persuaded to abandon its ambitious plans for nuclear development in the Mid-Hudson Valley. But it will only do so if it realizes that it faces massive citizen opposition to the scheme, both from local residents and from its downstate consumers, who will end up footing the bill for this nuclear extravaganza.

You can add your "no" to ours by joining NO. Your \$2.00 membership fee helps to pay for: educational programs, participation in crucial hearings in Albany before the New York State Public Service Commission, our intervention before the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the State Siting Board to prevent the State Power Authority from building a nuclear power plant at Cementon (Greene Co.), legal fees for court-room litigation and general office expenses. Since the cost of preparing and mailing you our newsletter costs almost \$2.00 a year, you are urged to contribute more if you can possibly spare it. The sooner Con Ed gets the message, the better it will be for the Valley, and the lower the electric rates will be for New York City consumers. Don't delay—Join today!

For further information call our Nuclear Hot Line during business hours — (914) 255-8689.

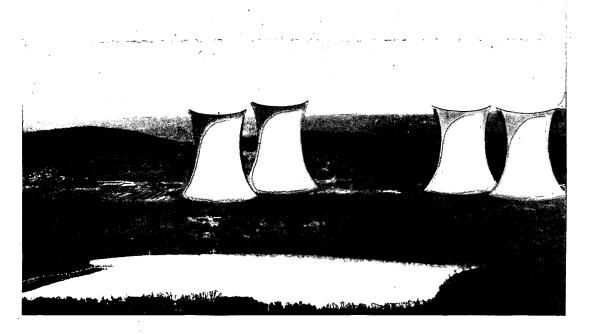
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# NUCLEAR POWER IN THE HUDSON VALLEY



Artist's rendition of 500 ft. high cooling towers at Lloyd/Esopus site.

# WHO GETS WHAT?

In November 1976, the Consolidated Edison Company, the nation's largest utility company, proposed building up to four 1300 MW nuclear power plants in the Mid-Hudson Valley. They have picked two sites in the towns of Lloyd/Esopus (Ulster Co.) and Red Hook/Milan (Dutchess Co.). By 1978, Con Ed will have made its decision in determining which site will be the prime location and which the alternate site.

At approximately the same time, Con Ed will have to decide whether to design and apply for construction permits to build either four nuclear plants or six coal generating stations. Con Ed President Arthur Hauspurg has said the company favors the nuclear option, because "our calculations still show nuclear to be more economical than coal."

Let's take a look at just what benefits both Con Ed and the people of the Hudson Valley can expect to reap from such a project.

# WHAT CON ED STANDS TO GAIN

#### **ELEVEN BILLION DOLLARS**

Each of the four nukes Con Ed would like to build will cost about \$1,750,000,000. The utility is permitted by law to recover its original investment, plus a fixed profit on that investment, from its rate-payers, the electricity consumers. Currently, this allowed rate of return amounts to about 10% per year. Con Edison would therefore earn approximately \$2.7 billion for each reactor over its 30-year expected life-span. For the entire four-reactor, \$7 billion project, Con Ed would be entitled to recover its original investment, plus an additional total profit of \$11 BILLION.

#### FREE WATER

Over this 30-year period, the complex would withdraw more than 650 billion gallons of fresh water from the Hudson. The cost of this valuable natural resource, vitally necessary for both drinking and industrial uses, amounts to several hundred million dollars. Con Edison would not be paying a dime for it.

#### MAXIMUM PROFIT, MINIMUM EMPLOYMENT

Although a huge nuclear complex in the Mid-Hudson Valley is not the only way to meet the energy needs of Con Edison's customers, at the moment it is the most profitable method the company can come up with. It would save Con Ed's customers billions of dollars if the utility would work to increase the efficiency with which energy is used, to upgrade the insulation which is inadequate in most buildings, to utilize waste heat (fully two-thirds of the energy produced) from generating facilities, or to introduce currently available new energy technologies.

While these approaches would save billions of dollars, and create thousands of jobs right now for currently idled construction workers, plumbers, electricians, and factory workers, they simply don't enable a utility to make as much money as building capital-intensive nuclear power plants.

## NO LIABILITY

The Federal Government has estimated that a major radiological accident could contaminate an area the size of Pennsylvania, cause tens of billions of dollars worth of property damage, and kill tens of thousands of people in a matter of weeks and many times that in subsequent years. Con Ed would incur no liability whatsoever in the event of such an accident, no matter how it occurred. Under the provisions of the Price-Anderson Act, a total of \$560 million is allocated for compensation of all the victims in a nuclear accident. Since it is a no-fault type of insurance, neither Con Edison nor anyone else can be sued to recover for damages beyond this paltry sum.

# WHAT THE MID-HUDSON VALLEY STANDS TO GAIN

## RADIOACTIVE EMISSIONS

Each of the four propsed 1300 MW nuclear power plants, after only six months of operation, will contain

# Declaration of Nuclear Resistance

Illipress the Consolidated Edison Company of New York has proposed to construct four huge nuclear power plants in the towns of Lloyd/Esopus or Red Hook/Milan.and

Three nuclear power represents a unique and permanent threat to the public health and safety, our national security, and the natural environment and

Three large amounts of deadly radioactive wastes are accumulating around the country, with no solution in sight for their permanent disposal, and

**III IPPERS** there exist alternative generating methods that are economically competitive with, and ecologically superior to, nuclear power, and

Thereas technologically advanced countries around the world are halting, reducing, or seriously re-examining their nuclear power programs, and

Illipreas the American public has been called upon to pursue a sustained national effort of maximum energy conservation, and

high projections for future electricity demand growth in its service area, and

Threas a majority of Mid-Valley residents oppose the siting of nuclear power plants in our community, as evidenced by independent newspaper surveys of public opinion and by the official Town of Lloyd referendum of June 1, 1974, where 71% of the voters participating in that poll opposed any power plants for Lloyd, and

**Threas** the Legislatures of Dutchess and Ulster Counties, as well as the town boards of thirteen area communities, have passed resolutions formally opposing the construction of nuclear power plants within their boundaries.

# The Board of Directors of Mid-Hudson Nuclear Opponents appeals to all Hudson Valley residents and their elected officials......

educate their families, friends, and neighbors about the grave threat to the Valley posed by nuclear proliferation,

**Un** employ every legal means possible to prevent the proposed nuclear complex,

Trefrain from any and all acts of cooperation with the Consolidated Edison Company of New York, such as granting the utility company or its agents the right to use, or the option to purchase, their land, and

**U**t join in a united effort to preserve the Hudson Valley from any further nuclear encroachment.



radioactive contaminants equivalent to the total radioactivity released in all the atmospheric tests of nuclear weapons since 1945. All plants routinely leak some of their radioactivity into the surrounding waters and atmosphere.

# **CLIMATIC CHANGES**

Four fifty-story tall cooling towers. The four-plant complex would withdraw over 60 million gallons of fresh water from the Hudson River every day, use it to cool the reactors, and send it into the air over the valley. As a result, we can expect less sunshine, coupled with increased humidity, fogging, icing and snowing to occur locally. What this will do to the delicate fruit crop remains to be seen.

#### TRANSPORTATION HAZARDS

Every year, about 450 tractor-trailer loads of enriched uranium fuel, as well as high-level radioactive and other wastes, will be shipped to and from the nuclear complex. Since these shipments are considered too dangerous to be allowed on the N.Y. State Thruway, the trucks will be travelling over local roads such as Route 9, 9W or 32. Some of it may be shipped by rail or barged up the Hudson River. A certain number of rail, river, and highway accidents can be expected to occur, releasing some of the most potent cancer-inducing agents known to man.

YOUR INSURANCE EXCLUDES NUCLEAR ACCIDENTS Judging from previous nuclear accidents, the residents surrounding the nuclear complex would not be given adequate warning in the event of a major radiological disaster. It is not without reason that every homeowner's accident, medical, and life insurance policy carries a nuclear exclusion clause. Insurance companies refuse to insure you against a nuclear accident because they know it's too great a risk.

# THE TAX PLOY

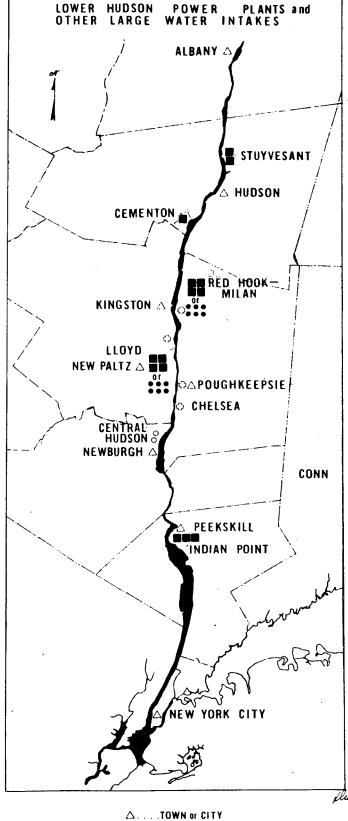
Con Ed's biggest con game is the tax ploy, the promise that local taxes will be reduced drastically as a result-of the nuclear complex. This may be true for a temporary period, but a look at Con Ed's Indian Point nuclear complex near Peekskill is instructive.

Indian Point #1 has been closed down after a mere 12 years in operation, since it lacks basic safety equipment. It is being phased off the tax rolls, as is Indian Point #3, which Con Ed sold even before completion to the State Power Authority to raise cash.

There is no telling how long the Mid-Hudson nuclear complex would remain on the tax rolls. If taxes ever really were substantially reduced, an influx of outsiders could be expected to flock to the area to take advantage of the tax haven. Any decrease in taxes could be quickly wiped out by increased expenditures for additional school, highway, welfare, sanitation and police services.

#### LETHAL LEGACY FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

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# **MEMORANDUM**

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TO: Congressional Liaison, NRC FROM: Jackie Abelman Office of Senator Javits 321 Russell Office Bldg Washington, D.C. 20510

A number of constituents employed by Con Edison at their Indian Point Station have contacted the Senator to inquire into the legality of the "hands on search" as explained in the attached memorandum.

I would appreciate receiving a copy of the NRC regulations pertaining to the search and any other material which will aid in response to our constituents.

memorandum.

Indian Point Station July 25, 1977

To:

Indian Point Station Personnel

From:

Thomas M. Law Plant Manager

Subject:

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### United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

July 28, 1977.

US Nuclear Regulatory Commission 1717 H Street NW Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Rowden:

Enclosed please find the letter and other materials we received today from several employees at the Indian Point Station. We have also received a few calls concerning the new procedure of "hands-on" search for at least 10% of the personnel, which is scheduled to go into effect on July 31, 1977.

Would you please provide our office with some background on this policy and some of the reasons for its implementation?

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

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Linda Brooks o/o Senator Moynihan 733 Third Avenue New York, N.Y. 10017

Dear Linda:

Enclosed is a copy of the Con Ed memo stating the intent to search as per NRC Regulations (10 CFR 73). Also, I have copies of two of the petitions requesting the ACLU to protect the rights of the individuals involved. Any immediate steps you can take would be greatly appreciated, for it does go into effect this Monday.

John Odendahl Home (914) 223-3952 Work (914) 737-8033

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## United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

The enclosed inquiry is from a constituent of mine. Would you please respond? Please send to me your written answer in duplicate, along with the letter from my constituent.

Thank you!

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August 8. 1977

President J. Carter White House Washington D. C.

Dear Mr. President,

I am truly disappointed in you and or your staff for not acknowledging my last communication with your office. I called you and also sent you a very expensive telegram on July 27, 1977 to at least make someone aware of the terrible mistake the Nuclear Regulatory Commission is making. This is, of course, my opinion and I'm sure you have great confidence in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. However, this rule has created such bad morale at the Indian Point Nuclear Power Station, where I work, that we aren't sure that the people who make these rules have even been inside a Nuclear Power Plant or even know how they operate. The specification that we operate under are basically written by my Company using Nuclear Regulatory Commission guidelines and approved by the N.R.C. Any time we violate these operating procedures, depending on the degree, we have to call or write the N.R.C. and turn ourselves in. They then inspect us and the problems are resolved. We control what the N.R.C. is told and we do, to the best of my knowledge, keep them fully aware. My point is this, as of August 1, 1977 the N.R.C. has put into affect security measures which I feel (as do many of my co-workers) violates our rights. We have to walk through airplane type detectors everyday and now the new N.R.C. rule states that we have to be searched by a person using his hands also. This "Hands On" search has lowered our standing in the community to a point below the common criminal who can't be touched unless the proper authorities have probable cause. The Nuclear Power Plant is a very complex operation mostly dependent on the people who run it. It could be compared to a large missle site where the person controlling the launching is brought into a room and searched for devices that might damage something and then allowed to man the "Red Button" which could demolish a large city or start a war. This does not make sense. The trust that must be put in the people who operate in a critcal occupation is very important. In making the rules and regulations the N.R.C. must have forgotten this in some cases. In one instance we will have to call them when we do something wrong but on the other hand we can't enter the plant unless we degrade ourselves. The working man is put into a very awkward position when he is forced to do something he feels is wrong. He has to spend his lifes savings to fight the government that is supposed to be

on his side. I have written to my Congressman and my Senators, all of whom have to talk to committees and go through reams of Red Tape to find out all about this. The Union that represents me is in court trying to fight this for me and another group of people has enlisted the aid of the Civil Liberties Union to try and keep you fair. All these people, including yourself, really are not aware of the operation of a Nuclear Power Plant but you are our only hope. The Manager of the Plant, when explaning that this new law was going into effect, stated that he not only disagreed with it but knows that with the highly intelligent people we have in this plant that if anyone wanted to do anything, he wouldn't have to bring in anything. This law is nothing but a cover-up for the public at our expense.

We have some 200-300 permanent people at this site and each of us has to be relied upon to do an important function. If this law was so written that all personnel other than permanent personnel had to be "Hand On" searched we would all agree for we above all want this industry to succeed. It is a safe, efficient power source that would help remove us from the dependence on foreign powers and keep people working in the United States, not in other countries. If strict controls were put on all visitors and constructors or even new employees until they passed some sort of probation period, these laws would be much more effective.

Most of the other Nuclear Power Stations have not yet had to impose this New Regulation (10CFR Part 73.55(d)1) and we are one of the first. If you consider my statement to at least have the merit to be investigated and until this matter is settled, I would appreciate your help in obtaining a repeal of the new law to relieve the morale problems here at the Station.

Yours truly,

John Odendahl

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Dear Congressman Fish:

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The Honorable Hamilton Fish, Jr.

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Mr. Carlton Kammerer Director Office of Congressional Relations Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Kammerer:

I have been contacted by employees of the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant, located in Westchester County, regarding the implementation of the new Nuclear Regulatory Commission Regulations 10CFR 73. The "hands-on search" required by the regulation started on July 31, 1977.

I would appreciate a copy of these regulations as well as a detailed response as to what prompted the NRC to implement the "hands-on search" requirement.

With every best wish, I am,

Sincerely,

Hamilton Fish, Jr.

Member of Congress

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Dear Mr. Kammerer:

Enclosed you will find a copy of correspondence which I received from Mr. John Odendahl of LaGrangeville, New York.

Would you be kind enough to address yourself to the points raised in Mr. Odendahl's letter in order that I may provide him with an appropriate response.

Thank you for your consideration.

With every best wish,

Sincerely,

Hamilton Fish, Jr. Member of Congress

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Dear Mr. President,

I am truly disappointed in you and or your staff for not acknowledging my last communication with your office. I called you and also sent you a very expensive telegram on July 27, 1977 to at least make someone aware of the terrible mistake the Nuclear Regulatory Commission is making. This is, of course, my opinion and I'm sure you have great confidence in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. However, this rule has created such bad morale at the Indian Point Nuclear Power Station, where I work, that we aren't sure that the people who make these rules have even been inside a Nuclear Power Plant or even know how they operate. The specification that we operate under are basically written by my Company using Nuclear Regulatory Commission guidelines and approved by the N.R.C. Any time we violate these operating procedures, depending on the degree, we have to call or write the N.R.C. and turn ourselves in. They then inspect us? and the problems are resolved. We control what the N.R.C. is told and we do, to the best of my knowledge, keep them fully aware. My point is this, as of August 1, 1977 the N.R.C. has put into affect security measures which I feel (as do many of my co-workers) violates our rights. We have to walk through airplane type detectors everyday and now the new N.R.C. rule states that we have to be searched by a person using his hands also. This "Hands On" search has lowered our standing in the community to a point below the common criminal who can't be touched unless the proper authorities have probable cause. The Nuclear Power Plant is a very complex operation mostly dependent on the people who run it. It could be compared to a large missle site where the person controlling the launching is brought into a room and searched for devices that might damage something and then allowed to man the "Red Button" which could demolish a large city or start a war. This does not make sense. The trust that must be put in the people who operate in a critcal occupation is very important. In making the rules and regulations the N.R.C. must have forgotten this in some cases. In one instance we will have to call them when we do something wrong but on the other hand we can't enter the plant unless we degrade ourselves. The working man is put into a very awkward position when he is forced to do something he feels is wrong. He has to spend his lifes savings to fight the government that is supposed to be

on his side. I have written to my Congressman and my Senators, all of whom have to talk to committees and go through reams of Red Tape to find out all about this. The Union that represents me is in court trying to fight this for me and another group of people has enlisted the aid of the Civil Liberties Union to try and keep you fair. All these people, including yourself, really are not aware of the operation of a Nuclear Power Plant but you are our only hope. The Manager of the Plant, when explaning that this new law was going into effect, stated that he not only disagreed with it but knows that with the highly intelligent people we have in this plant that if anyone wanted to do anything, he wouldn't have to bring in anything. This law is nothing but a cover-up for the public at our expense.

We have some 200-300 permanent people at this site and each of us has to be relied upon to do an important function. If this law was so written that all personnel other than permanent personnel had to be "Hand On" searched we would all agree for we above all want this industry to succeed. It is a safe, efficient power source that would help remove us from the dependence on foreign powers and keep people working in the United States, not in other countries. If strict controls were put on all visitors and constructors or even new employees until they passed some sort of probation period, these laws would be much more effective.

Most of the other Nuclear Power Stations have not yet had to impose this New Regulation (10CFR Part 73.55(d)1) and we are one of the first. If you consider my statement to at least have the merit to be investigated and until this matter is settled, I would appreciate your help in obtaining a repeal of the new law to relieve the morale problems here at the Station.

Yours truly,

John Odendahl

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PRESIDENT CARTER
WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON DC 20500
DEAR MR PRESIDENT

I AM REQUESTING YOU TO TAKE IMMEDIATE STEPS TO STOP THE VIOLATION OF MY RIGHTS UNDER THE FOURTH AMENDMENT. THIS IS BEING FORCED UPON MY COMPANY BY THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION. YOU HAVING THE COMPLETE AUTHORITY OVER THIS ORGANIZATION IT SEEMS THAT YOU HAVE APPROVED THIS VIOLATION. I HOPE THIS IS NOT SO. ARTICLE OF CONCERN 10CFR 73.55D. AWAITING YOUR PROMPT REPLY

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Ms. Helen Erawan
General Manager
Bowling Green Films, Inc.
Box 384
Hudson, New York 12534

Dear Ms. Erawan:

This is in response to your August 19 letter addressed to three separate agencies, the Federal Energy Administration, the Energy Research and Development Administration and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission which has just been received by our office.

As a strictly regulatory agency, we do not maintain either film or photo libraries. Consequently, we are not in a position to help with either. You may wish to contact the Consolidated Edison Company of New York which operates the Indian Point Nuclear Station at Buchanan and the Power Authority of the State of New York which proposes to build the Greene County Nuclear Plant near Cementon. They may have some photos or sketches, if not film footage.

It is not clear to us whether your letter was sent separately to the Energy Research and Development Administration. That agency retained the film and photo libraries of the former Atomic Energy Commission. We are referring your letter to them in case they have footage or photos which could belp.

We regret we cannot be more helpful.

Sincerely,

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Clare Miles (Miss)
Public Affairs Officer
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Federal Energy Administration Energy Research & Development Administration Nuclear Regulatory Commission 12th & Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20461

Dear Gentleperson:

We are presently in production on an hour-long documentary on the Hudson River, under the sponsorship of the New York Council for the Humanities. The film is slated for completion in early 1978 for telecasting over PBS later in the year.

We are in need of stock footage in 16mm color negative (our stock is Kodak #7247 negative) of nuclear power plants now functioning in the Hudson Valley, and photographs of plans or sketches of other power plants (nuclear or fossil fueled) planned for the Valley. This material would be used in the second half of the film, which deals with contemporary economic and social changes on the Hudson River.

We will need to know what costs, if any, are involved and where and when the footage can be reviewed, and any other information necessary.

We would appreciate hearing from you as soon as possible.

With thanks,

Sincerely,

Helen Erawan
General Manager
(for Jack Ofield
Producer-Director)

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The Honorable Richard L. Ottinger United States House of Representatives Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Congressman Ottinger:

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This is in response to your July 15, 1977 request for information regarding the shutdown of one of the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plants on July 1, 1977.

Indian Point Unit 2 was shut down automatically on July 1, 1977, due to an electrical fault sensed on the electrical transmission network. The shutdown was not due to a discharge of radioactive water or any other type of radiological release or nuclear safety concerns. The plant was started up again on July 2, 1977, and during that startup a reactor coolant pump seal package failed and the plant was manually shut down. The failed seal package resulted in approximately 90,000 gallons of radioactive reactor coolant system water leaking to the reactor containment building. The water was pumped to Indian Point Unit 1 for storage and processing prior to release to the environment (Unit 2 liquid radioactive wastes are routinely processed by Unit 1 waste processing equipment).

At no time during these shutdowns were there any releases to the environment in excess of those normally allowed or personnel injuries or radiation overexposures. This event presented no hazard to public health and safety.

We trust this information is responsive to your request.

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Sincerely.

(Signed) Lee V. Gossick

Lee V. Gossick Executive Director for Operations

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Chairman United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D. C. 20555

Dear Sir:

It is my understanding that one of the Indian Point Nuclear Power plants was closed down on July 1st due to a discharge of radioactive water.

If this is an accurate report, I would very much appreciate from the Commission a full assessment of what actually happened and detailed information on the potential danger to the citizens of Westchester County.

I would appreciate your earliest reply on this serious matter.

Sincerely,

Richard L. Ottinger .. Member of Congress

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