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Dr. Robert Seamans
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Dear Dr. Seamans:

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's requirement that Consolidated Edison build a cooling tower at its Indian Point facility in New York, poses a question of safety and health for the citizens of the Hudson Valley that has not been satisfactorily resolved.

The construction of a cooling tower of the size proposed by Con Edison could have a catastrophic effect on the quarter of a million people who live in the surrounding area. It is my understanding that while the Licensing and Safety Board recommended a closed cycle cooling system be installed at Indian Point, it did not specify the kind of system to be used. Therefore, I urgently request that Con Edison's recently submitted report in which they indicate their intent to construct a mammoth cooling tower over five hundred feet high be subjected to intense public review. In addition, it is imperative that an alternative cooling system be used in this highly populated area which would not pose the health and safety hazards of the proposed cooling tower.

I urge that you reverse or suspend indefinitely any order requiring Con Edison to construct this potentially hazardous tower in light of the harmful environmental consequences.

Sincerely,

Hamilton Fish, Jr.

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Member of Congress

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