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PLANNING COMMISSION
CITY OF PEEKSKILL
CITY HALL
PEEKSKILL, N. Y. 10566
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Attention: Director, Division of Sight Safety and Environmental Analysis

Re: Draft Environmental Statement for Facility License Amendment for
Extension of Operation with Once-Through Cooling for Indian Point
Unit No. 2 Docket No. 50-247

Gentlemen:

In our letter of April 14, 1976 the Planning Commission of the City of Peekskill expressed our opposition to the construction at Indian Point of any of the closed cycle cooling systems necessitating the construction and use of cooling towers because of the aesthetic and economic impact of these towers on the City of Peekskill and its neighboring communities. In addition the Commission suggested that the Indian Point power plants be permitted to continue to operate with the existing once-through cooling system.

In line with our previous position, it is strongly recommended that Con Edison's present request for an extension of the period of time for once-through cooling be approved. It will permit the applicant to complete their environmental studies and provide an opportunity for the review and evaluation of these data and all other available information.

As noted in your Draft Environmental Statement such evaluation may reveal that a closed-cycle cooling system is not required at all. To require the start of construction of such a monstrous and costly system prior to completion of all relevant studies would appear to be neither good planning nor in the interest of the public in general and the people of Peekskill and its neighboring communities in particular.

Sincerely,


Edwin I. Ziegler, Chairman

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