



MAY 20 1982

The Honorable Bill Bradley
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Bradley:

This is in response to Ms. Regina Johnson's letter to you dated March 17, 1982, opposing continued operation of the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plants.

I appreciate her concern for the safe operation of the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plants -- a concern that I believe is reflected in the actions taken by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission over the past few years, in recognition that the plants are located in one of the more heavily populated areas in the country, to give added assurance that the health and safety of the public are protected.

An example of such actions is the Decision of the Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation which, while denying a petition to shut down the Indian Point Plants, imposes a series of measures on the operation of the plants to give added protection for the public, including increased NRC on-site surveillance and inspection of the utilities' operation of the plants by our Office of Inspection and Enforcement. I have enclosed a copy of the Director's Decision and our Confirmatory Order.

The Commission itself reviewed the Director's Decision. While not overturning that Decision, the Commission, after reviewing additional staff evaluation of the risk of operation of the Indian Point plants, ordered a public hearing to explore the questions of the risk at Indian Point. Several pre-hearing conferences have already taken place, intervenors identified, and contentions admitted. I have also enclosed a copy of both the Commission Order initiating the hearings (and the questions to be addressed) and the Board's Orders identifying the parties and the contentions.

On page 22 of the Board Order is the schedule for hearings. The locations for the pre-hearing conferences were Croton-on-the-Hudson and White Plains. While the locations for the hearings have not yet been decided, they will be held in such a location to allow local residents reasonable access to them. The location of the hearings will be published in the local media when available.

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I hope this letter has been responsive to Ms. Johnson's concerns and would urge her attendance at the hearings.

Sincerely,

~~Edward~~ T. A. Rehm

William J. Dircks
Executive Director for Operations

Enclosures:

1. Director's Decision and Confirmatory Order
2. Commission Order
3. Board's Order
4. Ms. Regina Johnson's letter dated March 17, 1982

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