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Honorable John A. Ahearne  
Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
1717 H Street, N.W.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Ahearne:

As a husband, father, resident and home owner living within a five mile radius of the Indian Point nuclear power plant, I was distressed to learn of the dismissal of the petition of the Union of Concerned Scientists which called for the continued shutdown of the power plants until all necessary modifications to protect the safety of nearby residents are made. In view of the fact that evacuation in case of a serious accident is indisputably an impossibility, I hope that this matter will come under your personal review.

I hereby request that the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board be requested to investigate this matter and that pending the outcome of such investigation operation of the plants discontinue. It is further requested that if any further hearings are held with respect to the Indian Point nuclear power plant, that such hearing be held at a venue sufficiently close to the plants to allow area residents easy access to such hearings. It is the local residents who have most at stake in this situation.

I commend the NRC for having held recent hearings in Ossining, New York after initial hearings had gone unpublicized. I hope that a tremendous turnout at the Ossining hearings is ample evidence of the fears and concerns of persons living nearby the power plants.

Very truly yours,

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