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September 28, 2011

Vice President, Operations Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. Indian Point Energy Center 450 Broadway, GSB P.O. Box 249 Buchanan, NY 10511-0249

SUBJECT: INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR GENERATING UNIT NOS. 1, 2, AND 3 - REQUEST

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING APPLICATION FOR PREEMPTION AUTHORITY (TAC NOS. ME6164 AND ME6165)

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Please contact me at (301) 415-2901 if you have any questions on this issue.

Sincerely,

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Docket Nos. 50-003, 50-247, and 50-286

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#### REGARDING PREEMPTION AUTHORITY

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 Describe the impact on Indian Point's current physical protection program and capabilities, including response capabilities, if the NRC were to elect not to grant standalone preemption authority to Indian Point.

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