To: Leeds, NRK Ref. G20120172

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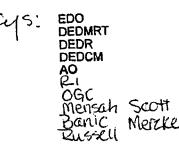
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- The plan in the event of a severe accident which is to vent dangerous steam, gases and radiation into the Standby Gas Treatment System building which will blow off the double doors to release a radiological accident to the outside environment at ground level poses severe risk to workers and the public.
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Therefore, we request NRC immediately suspend the FitzPatrick operating license until Entergy Nuclear Operations publicly documents a post-Fukushima re-analysis for the reliability and capability of the FitzPatrick containment vent plan, and until the public is afforded hearings to address the unacceptable risks to public health and safety posed by FitzPatrick. We wish the NRC to process our request using the 2,206 process, and we understand that under this process, the contents of this message and my identity will be made public. Jessica Azulay at the Alliance for a Green Economy is our point of contact for this petition.

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