

Docket, Hearing

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Subject: Public Comment on Indian Point

Hello,

I am writing to ask you to close Indian Point for the following reasons:

1. More than 1,500 tons of radioactive waste are stored in unfortified containers on the banks of the Hudson River at Indian Point. If the 2 reactors operate for another 20 years, Entergy would add another 1,000 tons of nuclear waste to containers NY State has already described as "vulnerable to attack." Also, carcinogenic radioisotopes from the plants have been leaking into the Hudson River since at least the 1990's.
2. More than 1 (one) BILLION dead fish and other organisms are killed by Indian Point's cooling water intakes every year. Indian Point uses more than 2.5 billion gallons of water per day which sucks river life in with the water. Indian Point's owners have refused for decades to upgrade to modern technology, even though clean water laws require the use of the best available technology to reduce environmental damage.
3. After extensive study, James Lee Witt, former head of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, declared Indian Point's evacuation plans "unworkable." And the unworkable plan covers just a 10-mile radius around the plant, when fallout could easily spread 50 miles or more.
4. More than 20 million Americans are at risk - a disaster here on the scale of the Fukushima Daiichi plant meltdown would endanger millions in and around NYC and the Hudson Valley. The economy of the country and the rest of the world could be shaken by such a catastrophe.
5. Most important - we don't need Indian Point's power. A 2011 study, commissioned by Riverkeeper and NRDC found that without Indian Point, the region would have a surplus of power through 2020, and could replace Indian Point many times over with investments in renewable energy, efficiency and transmission. The cost would be as little as \$1-\$5 per month for the typical homeowner.

The above reasons are why I am asking you to CLOSE INDIAN POINT.

Thank you,

Patricia

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