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Re: Indian Point Units 2 and 3 License Renewal Application  
NRC Docket Nos. 50-247-LR and 50-286-LR  
ASLBP No. 07-858-03-LR-BD01

Dear Sir or Madam:

My name is Arva R. Rice, President and CEO of the New York Urban League. I am writing to express my support for the relicensing of Indian Point Units 2 and 3 in Buchanan, NY. It is my understanding that the NRC is considering numerous issues in connection with the license renewal application, including environmental justice concerns.

Indian Point is an important part of the New York State energy portfolio because it provides baseload energy with virtually no greenhouse gas emissions. At the New York Urban League we are concerned about global warming and its effect on the environment in general, as well as its effect on low-income communities in our area. In addition, if Indian Point were closed and replaced with fossil-fuel alternatives, air quality in the New York City area would be worse. Childhood asthma rates in New York City are already higher than they should be, and any reduction in air quality would have a disproportionate effect on low-income households. Finally, to the extent that closing Indian Point will lead to higher electric bills (a fact demonstrated by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection's 2011 Charles River Associates report), those higher bills will hit low-income families the hardest. Taken together, these concerns lead to one conclusion: the NRC should renew the license for Indian Point.

The New York Urban League has always been proud to support job opportunities in our great state. The potential loss of over 1,100 jobs in our currently recessed economy would be a staggering loss at a time when many families are struggling to meet their most basic needs. The New York Urban League stands firmly behind the employees and families who depend upon the continued operation of the Indian Point Energy Center and I urge the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to do the same.

I appreciate your consideration of my comments.

Sincerely,

Arva R. Rice

President & CEO, New York Urban League

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**Attachments:** Support for Relicensing of Indian Point Units 2 and 3.pdf

To Whom It May Concern,

I am contacting you to express the support of the New York Urban League for the relicensing of Indian Point Units 2 and 3 in Buchanan, New York. Enclosed is a signed letter expressing the New York Urban League's full support. Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions.

Best,

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