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Ms. Cindy Bladey
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Greetings Ms. Bladey:

It has come to my attention today, via an email from riverkeeper.org, a copy of which is attached, that The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission is preparing an **Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)** to support a rulemaking on its **"Waste Confidence Rule."** I also understand that the first step is a "scoping process" to gather information necessary to prepare the EIS. As such, please enter into the record that at least one concerned citizen of the Hudson Valley, namely me, requests that everything possible be done by our elected and appointed officials to get rid of nuclear waste anywhere near the Hudson River Estuary or any other river or estuary for that matter.

Please feel free to contact me if there is anything I may be able to do to help you in this process. We all need to work together to protect our precious environment for our families and the generations to follow.

Your sincerely,

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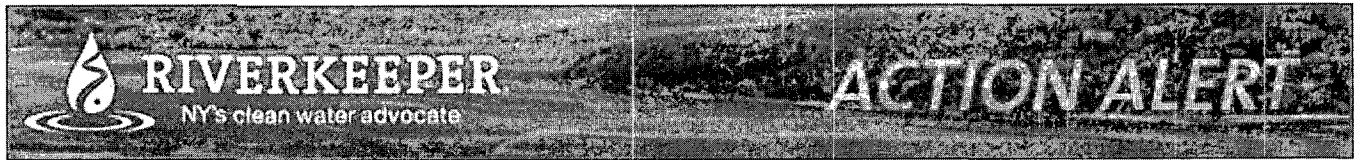
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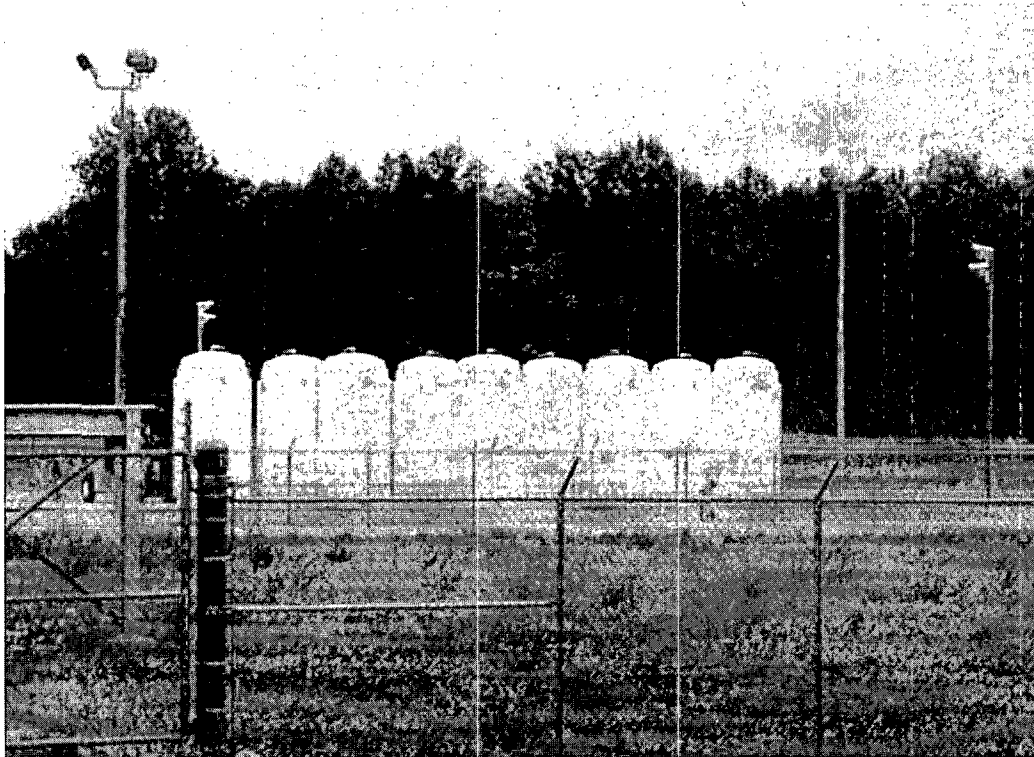
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Speak Out on Nuclear Waste!



Dry cask storage at Indian Point Energy Center

On June 8, 2012, Riverkeeper and our allies won a [landmark U.S. Court of Appeals decision](#) nullifying the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's "Waste Confidence Rule," which has allowed each U.S. nuclear reactor to store highly radioactive nuclear waste on site. The now-invalidated rule presumed that waste stored at reactors would go to a national nuclear waste dump someday and that the storage of spent fuel at individual reactors is temporary and causes "no significant environmental impact."

Because of our landmark court victory, there is no longer any legal basis for plants like Indian Point to avoid studying the environmental impacts of long-term nuclear waste storage in fuel pools or dry storage. At Indian Point, spent fuel has leaked carcinogenic nuclear waste into groundwater

and the Hudson River, and its unfortified storage structure has been considered as a target of terrorists. The Court's decision forces the NRC to address the risks of nuclear waste disposal before any U.S. nuclear plant, including Indian Point, may be licensed or re-licensed. This reckoning is long overdue.

Send Your Public Comments

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to support a rulemaking on its "Waste Confidence Rule." The first step is a "scoping process" to gather information necessary to prepare the EIS.

Riverkeeper encourages you to submit comments on the scope of the environmental review by January 2, 2013 using one of these three methods: Be sure to include in your comments the Docket ID number: NRC-2012-0246. There are three ways to submit written comments:

1. Go to regulations.gov and search for Docket ID **NRC-2012-0246**
2. Send mail to: Cindy Bladey, Chief, Rules, Announcements, and Directives Branch (RADB), Office of Administration, Mail Stop: TWB-05-B01M, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001
3. Fax comments to: RADB at 301-492-3446. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301-492-3668; or email: Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov

There are more opportunities to get involved and make your voice heard. Click on '[Take Action](#)' for information on public meetings, webinars and what you should tell the NRC:



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