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**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2013 12:51 PM 2013 JUN -5 PM 1: 08  
**To:** Gallagher, Carol  
**Subject:** Comments for Docket ID NRC-2013-0063

Dear Carol,

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Please add the comments below to the Docket ID NRC-2013-0063. I realize this is a day late, but I only recently found out about the ability to comment. I do understand that commentary sent at any time will still be included and considered.

Thank you.

I am writing to express my serious concerns about the failure of the NRC to force Indian Point Nuclear Plant to comply with important fire safety regulations and also my overall concern regarding the relicensing of Indian Point Nuclear Plant in Buchanan, NY. I live in Katonah, NY, about 13 miles due East of the facility. Given that the prevailing wind and weather pattern brings anything emitted in the air from Indian Point right over our town, I think the concerns of Katonah residents are very important.

I do not believe the NRC should grant exemptions to Indian Point for fire safety regulations meant to protect the cables necessary for a safe shutdown of the plant during an emergency fire. Since it has been determined that the HEMYC fireproofing insulation is only half as effective as initially claimed, and may last as little as 24 minutes, I believe that all insulation at the plant should be upgraded to comply with federal requirements that were set by the NRC itself! Why make critical regulations to protect citizens and then exempt the plants from complying with them? I believe the 20 million people who live within 50 miles of the plant deserve protection and their lives should not be put in jeopardy because the NRC is putting Entergy first!

I believe that the NRC should not relicense Indian Point. I implore the NRC to have the foresight to look at the big picture, take a stand and make a change. I have attended several informational public hearings and from what I can see the NRC's goal is to nurse along the plant until a major disaster occurs, and then it will be too late. Here are the big-picture facts: there is no feasible evacuation route for such a huge population, dangerous fuel waste is collecting there that is improperly stored and was never supposed to remain on site, and it is built on a fault line that could produce an earthquake. This plant would NEVER be approved to built at this site today given the value of the human real estate and proximity to New York City, the nation's financial, cultural and creative capital. The plant is old and past the life-span it was built to endure. It is entering a time of unknown decay and should be shut down as soon as possible. Until that moment, I ask you to make sure that Indian Point complies with strict fire safety measures and all safety measures that were put in place for a very

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important reason: the risks are exponential and the cost of these risks far outweigh any inconvenience and cost of upgrading fire safety measures immediately.

Sincerely,

Moira Thielking

Katonah, NY