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RE: Public Meeting on NRC's "Waste Confidence" Policy October 30th in Tarrytown NY Docket ID No. NRC–2012–0246 Please see my letter - attached as MS Word Doc

Best regards, Bill Gerstein 935 Peekskill Hollow Road Putnam Valley New York 10579 bill@ga-re.com

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TO:

Secretary U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555-0001 ATTN: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 301-415-1101, citing Docket ID No. NRC-2012-0246

Dear Sirs:

In addition to many frightening past incidents and accidents, Indian Point came dangerously close to being flooded by Hurricane Sandy. My home is located approximately 12 miles north of Peekskill, NY and Indian Point. My house and lands are not only my most valuable single asset. It is where my children were born and raised. It is where I live and breathe clean country air and drink clear fresh untainted water from my well. It is an extremely valuable and unique property. I could not replace it, nor could I ever afford to, if it were to be made worthless due to a nuclear disaster at Indian Point NY. The fact is that in the event of a failure at Indian Point, NY, countless surrounding homes and properties would become uninhabitable. Where could all those people live then? Where would their business go? The costs of such an event would be astronomical and are simply not worth the risk presented by relicensing Indian Point. Indian Point is environmentally destructive and runs afoul of various coastal policies. New York State should object to Entergy's proposed consistency certification and to the NRC Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS) as part of the process of replacing the NRC's Waste Confidence Rule.

In particular, the State of New York and the NRC must consider and address:

- The utter impossibility of evacuating and relocating the exceedingly dense population area surrounding Indian Point in the event of an emergency.
- The 1.2 billion fish and other aquatic organisms killed annually by Indian Point's once-through-cooling water intake system, and the devastating impacts on the aquatic biota of nearby State and Federally designated Significant Coastal Fish and Wildlife Habitat in Haverstraw Bay.
- The effect of rampant and ongoing radioactive leaks from Indian Point that indisputably release to the Hudson River and will continue to do so for decades.
- The safety risks of storing thousands of tons of highly radioactive nuclear waste for decades if not centuries in overly crowded leaking spent fuel pools and temporary dry cask storage structures.

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