

August 22, 1994

Commissioner Ivan Selin
Chairman
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555-0001

Dear Commissioner Selin:

As a resident of northern Illinois, I want to register my concern about Commonwealth Edison's (CECO) plans to reduce security at its LaSalle, Dresden, and Zion nuclear plants.

At the time CECO pushed hard to construct more nuclear reactors in northern Illinois than anywhere else in the country, they made a commitment to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), and more importantly, to us that they would maintain the highest level of safety and security possible to protect us.

When we agreed to allow CECO to build all of these plants in our backyards, we put our faith in you. We trusted the NRC to aggressively watch over CECO to make sure that their commitments would be fulfilled, including the one to keep the plants secure. I am concerned that you are prepared to let them do less than they have been doing.

They have already reduced the number of security officers by 40 percent. Now that all their reactors are finished, CECO is telling us they want to save money by taking highly trained armed security officers and making them unarmed guards so they can pay them less money. This, at a time when terrorist threats have hit closer to home than at any time in our recent history.

They have said publicly that they should be allowed to reduce security at their plants because you have let other plants such as Three Mile Island get away with it.

We don't want another Three Mile Island type of plant here in Illinois.

Please help us stop this plan by CECO. Only you have the power to make them live up to their commitments. **(Do not let them reduce armed security in Northern Illinois.)** Make them put people over profits this time.

I look forward to your response to my plea for assistance.

Sincerely,

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