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Mr. David Drucker
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Dear Mr. Drucker,

It is feared contaminated water from Turkey Point's antiquated cooling canal system has been seeping into the groundwater and polluting surface waters connected to Biscayne and the aquifer that supplies drinking water for millions of people. Additionally, Turkey Point's geographic location makes it particularly susceptible to sea level rise and storm surge impacts. Under even the most optimistic sea level rise projections, Turkey Point and parts of the cooling canals will be inundated by 2040, 13 years before the end of the reactors' operating life if this proposal is approved.

Any plans to extend the operating life of Turkey Point should include concrete measures to address both the water contamination and sea level rise and storm surge threats to protect Biscayne National Park and the health of surrounding communities and natural areas. Otherwise, the plant's cooling canals should be decommissioned and replaced with alternate cooling technology, such as mechanical draft cooling towers. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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