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President Jimmy Carter White House Washington, D.C.

Dear President Carter,

As a resident of Boothbay Harbor, Maine, I live within a ten mile radius of the Maine Yankee plant in Wiscasset. I am writing to inform you that I am absolutely opposed to its re-opening at any time. Over and above the main fact that I simply do not want to see it operating, period, I feel the following items should be more than enough reason to keep it closed.

1) Lack of any publicly known, feasable evacuation plan (would it ever be possible to have a feasable plan?).

Living at the end of a peninsula, with Maine Yankee up at its base, I feel we would be literally trapped. Moreover, what happens when we have 50,000 tourists here during the summer season and only our one road (single lane each direction and in bad condition, at that) with which to get off the peninsula?

2) Lack of honest, open communication between the plant operators and the public. I was appalled to learn that we weren't informed of a radiation leak last March when the plant was in the process of closing down. I DEMAND THE RIGHT to know how much low-level radiation I am being exposed to, both in incidents such as this, and during the normal operations of the plant.

3) I can not believe that we will ever find a truly safe method of disposing of radioactive wastes.

This is the first time I have ever written a letter such as this to express my views. I hope you will take them into consideration. Please be assured that in the future I shall never cast my vote for any political candidate who supports nuclear power.

Sincerely,

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