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Letter attached from Jacquelyne Feldman

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Respectfully referred to:

Nuclear Regulatory Commission Office of Congressional Affair 1717 H Street, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20505

Because of the desire of this office responsive to all inquiries and communication your consideration of the attached is requested. Your findings and views, in duplicate form, along with return of the enclosure, will be appreciated by

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Honorable Senator Pell:

I have always had a tremendous amount of respect and admiration for you and all the decisions you have made during your political career.

Therefore, I would like to bring a matter of great concern to your attention. The possible establishment of nuclear power plants in Rhode Island and it's neighboring communities.

The risk of accidents in nuclear power plants involving the release of radioactive material has become a matter of public concern, and for myself a personal concern. I, strongly oppose the use of nuclear power in Rhode Island. Although many people think it may be good for our economy and may provide new jobs, it has a definite potential of becoming a detriment to millions of lives. I am sure you have been informed about the findings concerning radicactive material in the atmosphere from nuclear blasts, in Utah, but I must stress that possible leakage in a plant, would cause a major catastrophe. Plutonium is a manmade element used in the atomic bomb that was dropped . over Nagasaki, Japan in 1945. A typical power plant produces several hundred pounds of plutonium each year. It takes plutonium half a million years to lose its killing power!

I would appreciate it if you would join in the fight against the use of nuclear power. Do you know of any organizations or commissions in Rhode Island concerned with the prevention of nuclear power? I am sure after studying the facts on the health risks of nuclear energy, you will make the choice that is best for Rhode Island. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Jacquelyne Feldman