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Chairman John F. Ahearn
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter that I received from Representative Roberta C. Pevear of the New Hampshire State Legislature. She has expressed her concern over the proposed regulations for Review of Alternative Sites for Nuclear Power Plants and provides suggestion offered by the subcommittee on how to improve this process. I respectfully ask that you give full consideration to these suggestions and respond directly to Ms. Pevear.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

John A. Durkin

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Gentlemen:

In regard to the NRC Proposed Regulations for Review of Alternative Sites for Nuclear Power Plants, as shown in News Release Vol. 6, No. 15, week ending April 15, 1980, I am a member of the sub-committee in the Environment and Agriculture Committee for the State of N. H., which is studying Bulk Siting in our state for nuclear plants and/or other energy sources.

In our sub-committee, we have had hearings and given a great deal of study and thought to this question. We came up with the following suggestions:

1. Alternative Sources of energy should be proposed, in addition to alternative sites. (i.e. liquified coal, wood chips, etc.)
2. Public should be informed and made aware of the negative aspects of nuclear and/or alternative sources, rather than just the positive good points which a utility gives.
3. Public should be allowed to speak, rather than be required to be represented by a lawyer, and not have to file papers in advance.
4. Public should be allowed funds (either from the Federal Government or the utility) in order to hire lawyers, file papers, etc.

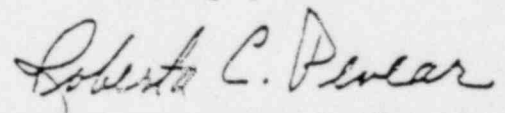
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5. EMERGENCY Plans, including a proven viable EVACUATION Plan, MUST be provided for, including funding, BEFORE site is approved. Local public input must be taken into account in formulating these plans.
6. The NEED for the energy to be provided must be taken into account, using sources of information other than the utility, itself.
7. A Review Process should be included, which would be triggered by such things as the obvious financial instability of a utility; mismanagement by a utility's officers; false information submitted by a utility to the site committee, etc.

I would be most interested in the results of your inquiry.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,



Rep. Roberta C. Pevear
Rockingham District #12

cc: Sub-committee members, E&A Comm.
Sen. John Durkin ✓