

COUNTY OF SUFFOLK



COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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Mr. Harold Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Denton:

Suffolk County government and its citizens are completely and unequivocally united around one idea - the Shoreham Nuclear station must be subject to a complete independent physical inspection and design review of all critical safety systems before it is given any interim or full operating license.

To this end, the Suffolk County Legislature unanimously approved and County Executive Peter Cohalan signed a resolution (1319) that would authorize Minor, Hubbard & Bridenbaugh Technical Associates (MHB) to choose and direct an engineering team for the purposes stated above. Both branches of county government have agreed to appropriate \$3 million dollars to fund the independent inspection.

Throughout the past year Lilco has publicly stated that there was no need for an inspection. However, as a result of the overwhelming public support of the physical inspection initiative, Lilco now says that it is willing to allow an independent inspection of Shoreham's safety "features", but instead of having the County consultants, MHB, coordinate the inspection, Lilco is insisting that they choose the inspection team. This is unacceptable because a Lilco inspection could never be an independent inspection.

Our major concern is that Lilco does not want its Shoreham nuclear station subject to the county's independent examination, and therefore they will seek to lock out the county's inspection team. If this circumstance arises, we request that the NRC, in the interest of protecting public health and safety, will order Lilco to open its Shoreham doors.

We hope the NRC will not ignore its public responsibility in assuring the safety of the Shoreham nuclear station.

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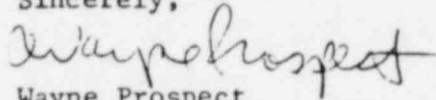
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Please inform me what actions you will take to assure that Lilco submits to a complete independent physical inspection on the Shoreham facility.

For the purposes of keeping the Commission informed, I have enclosed all relevant material.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Wayne Prospect".

Wayne Prospect
County Legislator, 15th L.D.

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