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A DECISION TO DOWNGRADE THE IMPORTANCE OF EMERGENCY PLANNING ISSUES IN THE INDIAN POINT HEARINGS WOULD NOT SERVE THE PUBLIC INTEREST. THE PUBLIC BELIEVED THE NRC WOULD ENGAGE IN A FULL AIRING OF ALL ISSUES IMPORTANT TO THE SAFE OPERATION OF THESE PLANTS. THE ABILITY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO RESPOND TO POTENTIAL PROBLEMS IS AN ISSUE RELATED TO SAFE OPERATION. WE WILL NEVER KNOW WHAT THE DEFINITIVE "RISK" OF OFFSITE RADIOLOGICAL PROBLEMS REALLY IS. AT LEAST WE OUGHT TO KNOW WHAT OUR ACTUAL RESPONSE CAPABILITY IS. THE HEARINGS WOULD HAVE PROVIDED A FORUM FOR EVERYONE TO ANALYZE THAT.

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