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Mr. Louis Carter, Chairman
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Dear Mr. Carter:

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As you can see by my address, I live within the ten mile radius around Indian Point, with its two steam generator operated nuclear plants. I have been concerned about the plants' existence in this area for a long time, having lived here for twelve years. But my concern has been heightened in recent years, due to the nearly catastrophic nuclear accidents in the past seven years in other parts of the country.

The plants at Indian Point are old and unsafe; they are vulnerable to thermal shock. A change in temperature level resulting from some minor malfunction may cause the steel vessel around the core to crack like glass, leading to a very serious situation. Minor malfunctions are daily occurrences at Indian Point. In our area, the professionalism of plant workers is not highly respected; there is a sort of folk knowledge of mind-numbing by employees by drinking, even while at work.

Add to these facts, the serious development that an evacuation of 300,000 area residents is now being recognized as unworkable by officials of town and school boards as well as being recognized as not presently feasible by FEMA, and one can only conclude that in common sense, the plants should be shut down until a feasible evacuation plan can be created.

I remind you that the Union of Concerned Scientists warned of the lack of safety at Three Mile Island in 1973, asking that it be shut down. The USG has recently asked that the plants at Indian Point be shut down. Will we have a serious accident here, where the nation's financial base is, before action is taken?

I ask you to act on behalf of not only us residents of the Indian Point area, but also the entire nation. Please act for the immediate shutdown of the Indian Point plants.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Mary Larkin
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