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General Comment

I am writing from Yonkers, NY, 30 miles south of the Indian Point Nuclear Energy Plant, to express my unequivocal opposition to Entergy's proposal to transfer the license for decommissioning the plant to Holtec. Not only has Holtec never actually decommissioned a nuclear plant (its first such project, Oyster Creek in NJ, was acquired 8 months ago), but it has compiled a poor safety record, many whistleblower complaints, and a history of wrong-doing - including being barred from business with the TVA and the World Bank, and misleading and lying to officials and the public.

Indian Point has the added complication of a gas pipeline running beneath it, which creates a very high-risk potential for ruptures and fires. Holtec did not bother to address this terrifying fact in its Post-Shutdown Activities Report, which the company filed prematurely and improperly with the NRC. (Holtec is not the current licensee and therefore had no business filing the report.) It is a monumental undertaking to decommission a nuclear plant safely, yet Holtec claims it will do it quickly and has provided unreasonably low cost estimates. Holtec's records on safety and integrity belie those claims.

If the Nuclear Regulatory Commission permits this transfer of license to Holtec, it will be doing so with utter disdain and complete disregard for the safety and lives of 20 MILLION people living in the impact area around this nuclear power plant - and no good can come of that.