

Mr. Joe O'Rourke
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Dear Mr. O'Rourke:

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION RELATED TO THE PENDING DECOMMISSIONING
OF THE SHOREHAM NUCLEAR POWER STATION

In response to your letter to Mr. Richard L. Bangart, dated March 7, 1992, requesting a copy of the Long Island Power Authority's (LIPA) Decommissioning Plan, I must refer you to the Shoreham docket file. In New York, all information submitted across the Shoreham Nuclear Power Station docket is available at the Shoreham Wading River Library, Route 20A, Shoreham, NY 11786-9697.

The NRC staff has evaluated the Decommissioning Plan submitted by LIPA, and written a Safety Evaluation Report (SER) and Environmental Assessment (EA) for Shoreham. These documents contain the staff's evaluation of the Shoreham decommissioning plans, and address all information provided by LIPA in support of Shoreham's decommissioning. At the present time both these documents are considered to be predecisional, and will remain so until the Commission issues the Shoreham Decommissioning Order. Because these documents are predecisional they are unavailable for public distribution at this time.

The staff is not in a position to confirm when the Shoreham decommissioning will begin. LIPA indicated that they intend to ship radioactive solid waste until the closure of all offsite disposal sites. The staff did evaluate the possibility that radioactive waste generated during decommissioning would remain onsite for some interim period of time. The staff in their analysis assumed that the most conservative conditions would exist, that is that all the waste generated during the decommissioning would be stored on site for some interim period. Based on the staff's evaluation, no adverse impacts on public health and safety were identified.

Based on the staff's best estimate, it can be reasonably assumed that some radioactive waste will remain onsite after the closure of all offsite disposal sites. The staff's evaluation of the interim storage of radioactive waste on site did not identify any adverse impact on public health and safety. Please note that request for specific documents provided across the Shoreham docket should be made to the Shoreham docket room, address as provide above.

If you have any questions, please contact me on 301-504-2171.

Sincerely, *LSI*

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