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House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Shirley Ann Jackson Chairman Nuclear Regulatory Commission 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, MD 20852

Dear Chairman Jackson:

As I noted in an earlier letter, I greatly appreciate your willingness to hold a public meeting with residents of eastern Connecticut on August 6. However, I urge you to hold this meeting in the evening and extend the duration from one hour to between one and one-half and two hours. I believe you recognize it will be difficult for many interested parties to attend a meeting held at 3 PM during a work day. In addition, one hour is not sufficient to allow residents of the region to address an issue which is extremely complex and contentious. I believe scheduling a longer evening meeting, structured according to my previous letter, will ensure broad-based public participation, which you and I agree is vitally important. If an evening forum is impossible, I strongly urge you to extend the duration of the scheduled meeting in order to increase opportunities for public participation.

I appreciate your willingness to consider my recommendations. I believe altering the format in this manner will help to ensure this meeting is as meaningful and productive as possible for all concerned. I stand ready to work with you in determining the final structure.

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress

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