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 Mr. Lando W. Zech, Jr., Chairman
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re: NRC Docket #50-322-06-3

Dear Chairman Zech:

In his letter to you of March 17, 1988, Chairman Bradford correctly pointed out my letter to you stated my individual views and not those of the Commission. If that point needed clarification, you have it.

While the decision referred to in Commissioner Bradford's letter indicated we were not taking sides on the merits of the company's effort to license Shoreham, in a concurring opinion I commented on the merits of the licensure of Shoreham, pointing out that an operating Shoreham would immediately abate the energy crisis facing Long Island ratepayers and consumers.

I also pointed out the licensing decision rested not with the PSC but with the NRC, which is why I originally wrote to you.

The licensing of Shoreham will give Long Island energy independence now and for the foreseeable future. If Shoreham is not licensed, the obligation of the PSC to ensure safe and adequate energy supplies to the people of Long Island will be extremely difficult to fulfill and would mean a considerable burden, sacrifice and possibly a necessary additional expense for those consumers.

It would be most useful for the PSC to know as soon as possible what the scope of its challenge will be. Thus my letter urging that a Shoreham licensing decision be expeditiously and properly made by the NRC.

Very truly yours,

James T. McFarland

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