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MR. Lando W. Zech Jr.
Chairman
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C.

Re: Proposed rule change in the N.R.C. policy on
nuclear reactor's emergency evacuation plans.

Mr. Chairman:

Please allow me, as a concerned citizen, to air my view on the above mentioned rule change as outlined in the Federal Register.

It is my belief that your agency ought to MANDATE that the states and local authorities provide a suitable evacuation plan of your specification within a defined time frame from the granting of an operating licence. The emergency evacuation plan is just another safety precaution, as are the ones you mandate on the plant operators: why should it be handled differently?

A similar case in point is the interstate highway system where the federal agency determines their location and speed limit and delegates the enforcement to the local authorities.

I do not know whether your commission has the authority to enact such a rule but it certainly would put an end to a political morass whereby everyone will be a loser at the end.

As a lifelong resident and businessman of Long Island living within 30 miles of the Shoreham plant I am concerned about where the power for all the industrial, commercial and residential building expansion taking place will come from and its ultimate cost to us.

At the same time I am concerned about the safety of our environment and I do not like rules "assuming" anything! My guess is that if the rule is left as proposed there may very well be no evacuation plan until after one accident has happened!

DO THE RIGHT THING NOW : MANDATE THE PLAN!

Sincerely submitted:

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