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Mr. John C. Bradburne
Director
Congressional Affairs
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

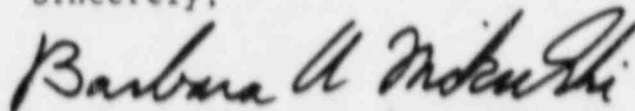
Dear Mr. Bradburne:

Enclosed, please find a copy of a letter which I recently received from Ms. Paulette Hammond. Ms. Hammond has raised some concerns regarding the Peach Bottom Nuclear Power Plant.

I respectfully request that you review Ms. Hammond's letter and respond to me concerning the issues that have been raised.

Your prompt reply is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Barbara A. Mikulski
United States Senator

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The Hon. William Donald Schaefer
Governor
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Governor Schaefer:

Maryland United for Peace and Justice, a networking coalition of over 70 groups and individuals working on peace and justice issues, would like to urge you to do all that you can to achieve a permanent shutdown of the Peach Bottom nuclear power plant.

Peach Bottom, we feel, is a serious threat to the safety and health of the citizens of Maryland, for four reasons:

1. Infant mortality and the incidence of cancer increased during its operation (and have decreased since its shutdown),
2. Its containment system is deficient (according to the NRC),
3. The presence of a newly identified generic safety problem (present in all G.E. reactors - neutron flux oscillations peaking well over design capacity) make it even more dangerous than thought before, and
4. Strong doubt as to the adequacy of reform or assured proficiency, given PECO's long history of mismanagement and the lack of credibility of the NRC.

For all these reasons, we ask you to protect the lives of millions of Marylanders, who would be adversely affected by a disaster at Peach Bottom, by assuring the permanent shutdown of this nuclear plant.

Sincerely yours,

Paulette G. Hammond

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