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Dear Sirs:

As a resident of the seacoast area of New Hampshire for the past 32 years, I strongly urge the Commission to proceed to adopt its proposed rule change to clarify emergency planning requirements for low-power licenses e.g. that off-site emergency sirens are NOT required for low power testing.

As a resident of the seacoast area I find it appalling that towns in Massachusetts and New Hampshire are trying to stall Seabrook Station by ignoring emergency preparedness in general. I have been to town meetings where people have voted NOT to provide any type of Emergency Planning because it might support Seabrook. This tragic as Seabrook station proposes the least threat to our surroundings. Recently a chemical storage plant caught fire in Hampton Falls and was NEAR by. Residents needed to be evacuated Had the town participated in Emergency planning the evacuation would have been more easily performed (e.g. sirens used). It is a shame that residents of Mass and N.H. have to suffer at the hands of a few politicians who seek truly to gain prominence by Media Attention.

As an engineer with knowledge of power generation, environmental impact, risk assessment and the economic health of power generation it is imperative to license Seabrook as quickly as possible. Seabrook is safe, ready to run and its energy is needed today as demonstrated by new peak demand records and voltage reductions. I AM tired of suffering at the hands of political environment and the bureaucratic Red Tape of the licensing process of both low power testing and full power testing. DS-10

There is something drastically wrong with the licensing process when based on hearsay and non substantiated claims, and media hype that a utility can be forced into bankruptcy and a completed power plant sit idle.

In closing I urge the commission to adopt the change concerning emergency planning requirements. It is necessary that the plant be licensed on its safety, defense in depth concepts and technical merits and not stalled for emotional or political reasons

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