

April, 1987

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Secretary  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Room 1121  
1717 H Street NW  
Washington, DC 20555

Attn: Docketing and Service Branch

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Sincerely,

Rose Spitzer  
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(Address)

Bay Shore, N.Y. 11706  
(Town, State, zip)

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add: P. Crane, H-1035  
J. Lane, 266 PHIL

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Clarence B. Johns  
(Name)

25 Van Buren St.  
(Address)

Farmingdale, N.Y. 11735  
(Town, State, Zip)

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The Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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Dear Commissioners:

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Sincerely,

*James L. Keene*

*James L. Keene  
20 Pendolope Dr.*

*R. S. Tanker, Ltd. 16733*



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Washington, D. C., 20555

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Sincerely,

EAST END SHOREHAM OPPONENTS  
Post Office Drawer XXXX  
East Hampton, NY 11937

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PROPOSED RULE  
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24 April 1987

Secretary  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555  
Attn: Docketing and Service Branch (10CFR Part 50)

Dear Secretary:

I strongly protest the proposed rule change 10 CFR Part 50. Nuclear plants should not be allowed to operate in any state without state approved evacuation plans. This is the least one can do to protect the public against the dangers of a nuclear accident. The change may be in the interest of the nuclear industry but it certainly is not in the interest of the very much larger energy using population. The proposed change raises in addition serious questions about the degree of autonomy vested in state governments versus that in the Federal government. In my view the proposed change would give an undesirable power to the Federal government at the expense of local government.

In particular, one year after the Chernobyl nuclear disaster, where people as far as Switzerland and Sweden got heavy doses of radioactivity, I would not have expected that evacuation plans for people living near a reactor would receive such short shift in this ill conceived proposal to change the rule. If anything, the present rule seems not stringent enough, but the proposed change is certainly a step backwards. Let us not be so foolish to accept it and let no licenses be given to nuclear plants such as Seabrook and Shoreham without approved evacuation plans.

Sincerely yours,

*Hendrik J. Gerritsen*  
Hendrik J. Gerritsen  
Professor of Physics

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cc: Representative Fernand St. Germain  
Senator Claiborne Pell  
Senator John Chafee

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RFD 2, Box 154  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301  
April 25, 1987

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Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555

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Re: 10 CFR Part 50. Proposed Rule

The proposed amendment to the emergency planning rule is a disservice to the public and would fly in the face of your charge to protect public health and safety. If you allow utilities to submit evacuation plans despite clear public opposition you will be stating positively that promotion of nuclear power is your primary interest and that health and safety of the public are secondary considerations in your decision making.

The rule-making following the Three-Mile Island accident was obviously decided for the express purpose of protecting the public. We all know that no nuclear plant is 100% safe, and the legitimate concerns of local citizens should weigh heavily in your licensing decisions.

The non-safety issue to which you refer in your proposal is certainly a concern for the utility, but since when have economics been of greater importance than safety? In all of the weighting which you must consider, surely safety must come first.

I find your presumption that governments would "change their positions and cooperate in planning" if opponents' "administrative and judicial remedies" had all been exhausted has no sound basis. The fact that people at Hampton Beach cannot be evacuated is not debatable. If you license Seabrook you will be placing an unbearable burden on the governments concerned.

The first of your two options, to stick to the existing rule, is the only viable option.

*Jane B. Grant*  
Jane B. Grant



Paul B. Janeczko 44 Mary Carroll Street New Auburn, ME 04210

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April 23, 1987

Secretary  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555

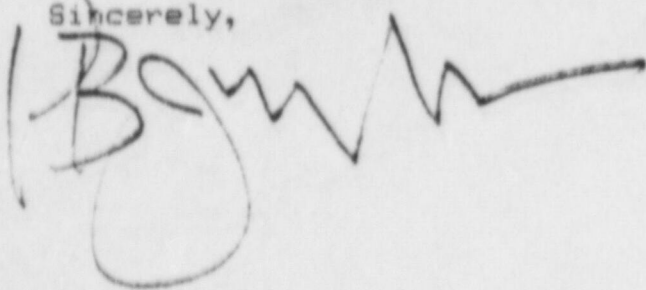
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Dear Secretary:

I find your proposed rule change 10 CFR Part 50 to be unconscionable. Your plan to not require state approved evacuation plans, thus shrinking evacuation zones around some plants, would leave thousands of citizens without protection from a nuclear power plant accident. Your idea seems especially foolhardy and dangerous in light of the Chernobyl disaster in which the Soviets had to evacuate 135,000 people within an 18-mile radius of the plant.

I strongly advise that you consider the health of Americans instead of the health of the nuclear industry and drop your plans to allow plant licensing without state approved evacuation plans.

Sincerely,



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Sincerely,

Paula L. Herman  
(name)

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(address)

SAYVILLE, NY 11782  
(town, state, zip)

As acknowledged by card, \_\_\_\_\_

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April 24, 1987

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Secretary  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555

Attn: Docketing and Service Branch

Dear Sir or Madam:

On April 8th I wrote to the members of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission expressing opposition to cutting the emergency planning zone from an area of 10 miles around a nuclear power plant to that of 1 mile. I am thrilled to learn the Commission rejected this change.

Today I am writing to express strong opposition to the proposal to eliminate state approval of evacuation plans. I live with my family in Rhode Island and therefore (at least at present) am not in an area to be evacuated in case of an emergency. However, I believe there exists a moral responsibility to take a firm stand in any issue wherein human welfare and safety is at stake. The NRC has as its foremost obligation the assurance of public health and safety. How then can any consideration be given to changing the emergency planning rules established in 1980 by the Commission? In 1980, the Commission found that state and local participation in emergency planning was central to adequate emergency preparedness. Now, seven years later due to pressure from problems at the Seabrook and Shoreham facilities, the Commission is considering a change to that rule. Such a change poses a serious threat to the public safety should an emergency situation arise.

Unless state governments are involved willingly in the planning process of emergency plans, such plans are doomed to failure. Proper training will not have taken place, confusion will result and innocent people will suffer the consequences.

The safety of the people must be given every priority. Three Mile Island and Chernobyl should not be forgotten. Let us never become so confident that we do not take every means necessary to insure against an emergency situation.

Please, vote NO to the proposed rule change.

Sincerely,

*Clara A. Carpenter*  
25 Union Avenue

Noted by card...





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## BUREAU OF DISASTER SERVICES

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April 20, 1987  
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Mr. G. Wayne Kerr, Director  
Office of State Programs  
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

SUBJECT: Nuclear Regulatory Commission Proposed Rule Amendment regarding  
Emergency Planning.

Dear Mr. Kerr:

This agency is opposed to amending 10 CFR Part 50. Specifically, any relaxation of procedures designed to ensure public safety (such as State and local emergency planning and preparedness) is considered unacceptable.

We are unconvinced that the measures outlined in Option II to compensate for lack of cooperation in planning by State and local government would adequately address the full spectrum of off-site planning to prepare for, respond to, and recover from a nuclear power plant accident. It is felt that this issue is too important to be solved through rule changing procedures.

With due respect, we are sympathetic, considering the economic impact, to the plight of the two utility companies. However, resolution of their difficulties may ultimately be a matter only the legal system or congressional mandate can decide.

Sincerely,

Darrell G. Waller  
State Coordinator

DGW/RLB/mjr

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(52 FR 6980)

Governor Dummer Academy  
Eyfield, MA 01922

April 26, 1987

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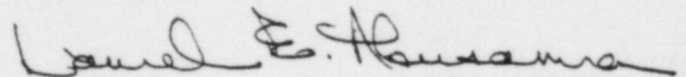
Dear People:

In a democracy, such as the one in which we are supposed to be living, it seems absolutely ridiculous for the government to assume the authority for licensing nuclear power plants where the inhabitants of the area affected do not want nuclear power or where a safe evacuation plan is not possible because of the placement of a particular nuclear power plant.

I assure you that when the people do not believe an evacuation plan will work, they will not participate in it. You must have received petitions from teachers in the 10 mile zone around the Seabrook Nuclear Plant that clearly state that they will not accept the responsibility that New Hampshire Yankee wishes to impose upon them - they will not abandon their families to load students on non-existent busses (which bus company has accepted to make the futile, suicidal effort to try to drive into a radiation zone? - we know all the traffic is going to be trying to go in the opposite direction). Nearly every member of our staff and faculty signed that petition. (Governor Dummer Academy).

Just because the utility companies have poured billions of dollars into this ill-conceived project, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission should not feel compelled to permit it to operate. The NRC is, I believe, supposed to protect the safety of the people. You would not be protecting the safety of the people by licensing nuclear power plants without state-approved evacuation plans. When the state doesn't approve evacuation plans it is because the area cannot be safely evacuated and if you let other than state plans be substituted there will be massive opposition (with good reason) and non-cooperation in the event of an accident at the nuclear power plant in question.

Sincerely,



(Mrs.) Laurel E. Abusamra

French Teacher  
Governor Dummer Academy

cc: Senator Edward M. Kennedy  
Congressman Edward Markey  
Governor Michael Dukakis  
Congressman Nick Mavroules

acknowledged by mail



PROPOSED RULE PR-50  
(52 FR 6980) 2485

Howard Hughes Medical Institute  
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University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine  
Department of Human Genetics  
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April 26, 1987

Secretary  
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555  
Attn: Docketing and Service Branch

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Dear Mr. Secretary,

It has come to my attention that your commission is planning to change the wording of a rule regarding a utility's obligation in the event of an accident. My understanding is that the wording now states that utilities must insure that "adequate protective measures can and will be taken" during a nuclear reactor accident, and that the wording might be changed to "reasonable" and "feasible" measures.

In my mind, this proposed change will represent an NRC end-run around the ruling that is now delaying the licencing of the Shoreham and Seabrook facilities. "Reasonable" and "feasible" are words that are difficult for anyone to precisely define. Hence, the new rule would be rendered meaningless. Since the original rule was implemented for reasons of safety, I believe that the proposed change serves only the utilities involved and definitely not the public interest.

The unfortunate events at Chernobyl one year ago have focused the public eye on issues of nuclear safety and have thus focused those eyes on the NRC. For the NRC to blatantly ignore those recent events in favor of the monetary plights of uncaring utility companies is a violation of the little public trust that remains.

Do not change the rule.

Sincerely,

Dr. Thomas Kadesch  
Professor of Human Genetics



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Rockport, Ma. 01966

April 27, 1987

Nuclear Regulatory Commission

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Dear Sirs,

The issuance of a low-power licence to Seabrook frightens me. It seems to me that the safety issue is taking a back seat to the money issue. Please tell me that is false. I would like to know what is proposed for Seabrook after its 40 year life span, and why that plan cannot happen now.

Please deny the issuance of a low-power licence, and contamination of the plant, until Massachusetts has approved evacuation plans.

Sincerely,

Andrea H. Ritchie

Andrea H. Ritchie

Acknowledged by card.....

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DOCKETING & SERVICE  
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I am writing this letter concerning proposed  
NRC Rule Change (10 CFR Part 50)

I think the current NRC regulations are fine.  
This proposed rule weakens the original intent of  
the rule. The submittal of a plan on paper will  
do no good in a real emergency.

We are talking about a possible nuclear  
disaster with unlimited ramifications. This Seacoast has a  
large population in summer. You must have a  
workable plan!

Frank Kennedy  
William C. Kennedy

16 Fielding Way  
Rye, N.H.

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346 Concord Ave  
Belmont, Mass 02178

April 23 '87

Secretary of Nuclear Regulation

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COMMITTEE

U.S. Congress

Washington, D.C. 20555

OFFICE OF THE  
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SERVICE BRANCH

Attention: Docketing and Service Branch

Dear Sir,

I am writing to urge you to retain  
the present regulations regarding <sup>all</sup> Nuclear plants.  
The state is the logical and most efficient  
regulator to be responsible for evacuation plans  
and there must be definitive and comprehensive  
plans <sup>for this</sup> put into effect by the states before any  
decisions are implemented regarding nuclear plants.  
It is hard enough already to take care of any  
kind of small accident, but if authority must be  
obtained beyond the local and state levels, the further  
coordination would be costly in terms of time  
and probably human life. Sincerely,  
Mrs. Martin R. House



'87 APR 29 P5:07

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To Secretary  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington DC

Dear Sir

The Proposed  
Rule 10 CFR Part 501  
would strip States  
(Massachusetts) of right  
to protect its citizens.  
Puts financial  
benefit of utilities above  
safety of citizens.  
The N.R.C. should  
oppose it.

Yours Truly  
Robert Sami Co. Inc.  
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R.F.D. Box 27  
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April 27, 1987  
Secretary, U.S., NRC  
Washington, D.C. 20555

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Dear Sir;

I am opposed to a change in the rule governing evacuation plans without state approval. Such a change would endanger public safety and weakens current NRC regulations.

Yours truly,

*Richard B Earle*  
Richard B. Earle

Mar. April 27, 1987

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Secretary of the Commission  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

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'87 APR 29 P5:08

Attn: Docketing and Service Branch

Re: Proposed amendment to Part 50  
of NRC regulations

To whom it may concern:

I object to the proposal to waive participation of state and local governments in nuclear plant evacuation planning, particularly as it might apply to Long Island Lighting Company's nuclear plant at Shoreham.

Thank you for your attention.

Very truly yours,

Michael E. Eskin



37 APR 29 1987

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Admiral Gardo Zech  
Nuclear Reg. Comm.  
Atomic Safety & Sec. Bd.  
Wash., D.C.  
20555

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Dear Admiral Zech,

I urge your commission to vote against the rule change that denies the people of an area the right to protect themselves.

Your rule change defies:

1. the promise of President Reagan in 1984 that local determination in Suffolk Co. will be honored.
2. the 10th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.
3. the policy established that nuclear plants be built in unpopulated areas.

Imagine 6.7 million people TRYING to evacuate Long Island!!

*Melvin D. Wolf*

Melvin D. Wolf  
60 Isle of Wight Rd.  
East Hampton, NY 11937

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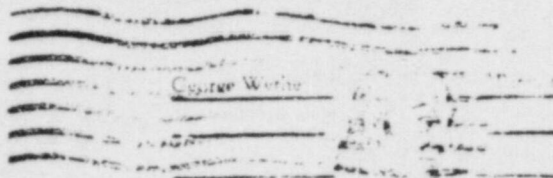
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*James Rosenbaum*



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Dear Sen.

I am writing to express my  
strong and deep opposition to  
the further licensing of Seabrook.  
I live in Essex, Mass and we  
can see the plant clearly  
from the water.

Even more than worried  
about an accident, I am  
worried about the movement  
storage & disposal of the  
nuclear waste materials.

At the very best, there  
should be regulated evacuation  
plans, approved by the state of

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add: P. Crane, H-1035  
J. Lane, 266 PHIL

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Massachusetts further licensing  
without such plans in place  
I would see as a clear  
violation of citizens' right to supply  
and an endorsement of monopolies  
energy + commercial interests at  
its cost the individual.

Sincerely Yours  
Nahali Bent  
Lutken Sr  
Essex MA 01929

20 Penelope Drive  
East Setauket, N.Y. 11733  
March 23, 1987

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
1717 H. St.  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Commissioners,

As a citizen of Suffolk County, New York State and the United States of America, I am writing to deplore the proposal of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to alter the evacuation plan requirements for nuclear power plants. Denying local governments of their rights and responsibilities to maintain the safety of the environment is an outrageous act which is totally self-serving to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the industry it is promoting. The Commission has clearly misplaced its regulatory functions so that it is regulating the citizenry whom it was intended to protect and it has become a blatant advocate for the wishes of the nuclear industry whom it was intended to regulate for the public safety!

For the honor of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Reagan Administration, I expect to hear that the Commission

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has withdrawn this mistaken proposal  
and will resume its Federal responsibilities.

Your very concerned citizen,

Priscilla R. Keene

c.c. Senator Mayrucker, Senator D'Amato,  
Representative Hochmeister



*Sierra Club*  
*Cumberland Chapter*

213 Westmoreland Court  
Georgetown, KY 40324  
April 26, 1987

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Secretary  
US Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555

ATTN: Docketing and Service Branch

Comments on proposed rule, "Licensing of Nuclear Power Plants Where State and/or Local Governments Decline to Cooperate in Offsite Emergency Planning" (Federal Register, 52 FR 6980, March 6, 1987)

The Cumberland Chapter of the Sierra Club strongly objects to the proposed rule for five basic reasons:

1) All US emergency planning is flawed, and the proposed rule compounds an already bad situation.

The US has no standards indicating what is an unacceptable dose level to residents in an emergency situation. Therefore, we have no criteria to say who should be evacuated and when. The NRC has indicated that current plans are inadequate. The NRC staff, for instance, told the Limerick Atomic Safety and Licensing Board that evacuation beyond a ten mile radius would be unlikely unless a 200-rem thyroid dose was expected over a period of seven days; but fatalities can occur with a 175 rem thyroid dose.

Since there exist no objective criteria indicating what makes an adequate plan and when and how a plan should be put into effect, bypassing state and local governments, which could be expected to place a high priority on the safety of residents, is completely irresponsible.

2) The rule illegally places cost above safety.

A court has ruled that, in plant licensing, safety, not cost, must be the primary consideration (Power Reactor Development Corp. v. International Union, 367 U.S. 396, 408-409 (1961)). Now the NRC says, "Significant policy questions of equity and fairness are presented where a utility has substantially completed construction and committed substantial resources to a nuclear plant and then, after it is far too late realistically for the utility to reverse course, the State or local government opposes the plant by non-cooperation in offsite emergency planning."

3) The question of fairness to the utilities is not relevant, since the utilities and the NRC rejected attempts by

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intervenors to raise the emergency planning issue earlier.

Intervenors at Seabrook, for example, tried to show in the mid 70s and again after Three Mile Island that the Massachusetts/New Hampshire area could not be evacuated in a safe and timely fashion. The NRC did not allow them to be heard on this issue, and, after Three Mile Island, the NRC did so at the request of the utilities, who recognized that they were proceeding at their own risk.

4) The "realism doctrine" on which the NRC bases its proposed rule is invalid.

The argument that in an emergency the states and local governments will cooperate is beside the point. Maybe they will, but in the meantime there will have been no proper planning and no proper testing of the plans. The whole point of emergency evacuation plans is that they are plans. Last-minute action will result in a chaotic situation.

5) The rule reverses previous NRC regulations and undermines the intent of Congress.

When Congress in 1979 asked the NRC to develop emergency planning regulations, it turned down an amendment that would have made state and local participation only optional. Furthermore, the NRC admitted at the time that emergency planning regulations might lead to a situation in which "inaction of State and local governments" would "affect[ ]" "the operation of some reactors" (45 Federal Register, 55,404, Col. 1). Nevertheless the NRC now says that it never intended states to be able to stop plant licensing, and is trying to correct this situation.

*Mary B Davis*

Mary B. Davis  
Nuclear Issues Chair  
Cumberland Chapter of the Sierra Club



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Mrs. Judith Frank  
16 Dresden Ct  
Albany, NY 12203

April 28, 1987

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Secretary  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Docketing & Service Branch  
Washington, D. C. 20555

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SUBJECT: My comments on Proposed  
Amendment to Part 50

Dear Secretary:

It seems clear to me that the NRC feels itself dutybound to license every plant which applies to it. NRC's proposed rule change would make the commission able to do just that while at the same time pretending citizens will be under no increased danger when the next accident occurs. The proposed change would be an easy way out for the commission and unconscionable.

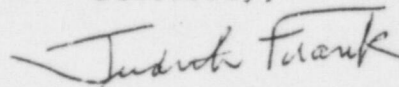
The NRC is very concerned about "equity and fairness" to utilities which have "committed substantial resources to a nuclear plant" and then discover that the local government won't "cooperate." Won't be browbeaten is more like it. Spare us the tears. In the first place, why are plants allowed to build before they work this problem out with the local governments? And where is the Commission's concern about fairness to citizens living near nuclear power plants.

I don't have hours and hours to go on about this. Therefore please consider this short letter along with my letter of March 16, 1987(attached) as my formal comments to your proposal to make it easier to license nuclear power plants.

Your rules should remain as they are and not be modified merely because you need a way to get around Governors Cuomo and Dukakis. They are both good sensible men and deserving of the commission's respect and attention.

Members of NRC should individually examine their role in our society. A little more respect and empathy for their fellow men might go a long way toward improving their collective judgment. We folks who live near nuclear power plants are not just so many rats to be wished away but human beings with fundamental rights.

Sincerely,

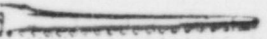


Judith Frank

Attachments

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NRC  
King of Prussia  
Pennsylvania 19406

March 16, 1987

Gentlemen:

I've been reading that there is a movement afoot to drop the requirement that states cooperate in putting together evacuation plans incase of a nuclear plant catastrophe. There really is no "in case" about it--it is just a matter of time if nuclear plants are allowed to continue.

How much wiser it would be to invest in solar energy. Nuclear power plants are time bombs waiting to go off.

Governor Cuomo and Governor Dukakis are right when they say there would be no safe exodus of residents when a catastrophe occurs.

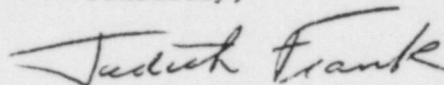
I've attached an article which describes the terror residents near Seabrook felt recently when blasts of steam escaped from that plant. If this steam escape was just part of a test as Seabrook claims, why weren't they required to warn the residents first? What is your job at NRC? Why don't you regulate--isn't there something in writing that requires the plants to be responsive to those living around them--if not, why not?

If nuclear plants are so nonchalant in their attitude toward nearby residents, how can they expect anyone to believe them when they say...it was just a test...or there was no danger to the public? Their credibility is zero.

The article I've attached implies that the plants responsibility would have been met if they had informed local police. I say not enough. They should have made television and radio announcements well in advance and repeatedly.

If your organization isn't responsible for seeing that nuclear plants are more responsible, then who is? This is not a rhetorical question. I'd like an answer

Sincerely,



Judith Frank  
16 Dresden Ct  
Albany, NY 12203

Attachment

## Nuclear plant steam terrifies residents

United Press Staff Material

SEABROOK, N.H. — Blasts of steam from the Seabrook nuclear power plant rattled houses, terrified residents, upset police and left plant management trying to explain Friday what went wrong.

"It was awful. It was wicked scary," said Trisha Keefe, 16, of nearby Hampton. "I thought it blew up and we were going to die. It sounded like a bomb, just like in the movies. We all jumped up. We thought we were going to get radiated."

Seabrook plant spokesmen said the blasts Thursday night were part of a test involving the facility's emergency water pumping equipment and the steam released contained no radiation.

But police in communities near the reactor complained they were not notified in advance about the test and had no explanations for alarmed residents who said they heard loud roars at the plant.

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A-4 TIMES UNION

Albany, N.Y., Friday, Feb. 27, 1987

## NRC approves relaxed emergency rules for nuclear power plants

WASHINGTON — The Nuclear Regulatory Commission started the rule-making clock Thursday on a proposal easing of emergency planning standards for nuclear power plants, a move strongly intended to sidestep state and local opposition to two fast-track reactors on the West Coast.

If ruled after a 60-day public hearing period, the commission would clear the way for two new reactors in plant in Long Island 15 miles east of New York City and another plant in New Hampshire, near the Massachusetts border. These facilities, each costing more than \$1 billion, are strongly

opposed by Gov. Mario Cuomo of New York and Michael Dukakis of Massachusetts, who were among a score of elected public officials who appeared before the commission on Tuesday to protest the proposed rules change.

But David D. Moynihan, D-N.Y., told the staff that he would support the plan, even if it meant that if you do not, you are already

will. The commission's decision, however, is not final. The rule-making process is still in progress, and the commission will have to consider the comments of the public and the state and local officials who opposed the plan.

evacuation of residents within 10 miles of a reactor in the event of a major accident.

The two plants have been refused, saying there is no way to guarantee the safety of residents in the cases of an accident and Seabrook.

Federal regulators' proposed public hearing period of 60 days is a record for the NRC. The commission is expected to modify the proposed rule. The commission voted 4-3 to publish the rules for comment.



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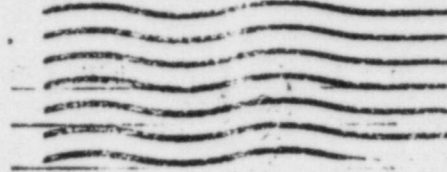
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April 26, 1987

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M. Calendrille

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direct to you.  
Haven

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(52 FR 6980)

April, 1987

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Secretary  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Room 1121  
1717 H Street NW  
Washington, DC 20555

Attn: Docketing and Service Branch

NRC PROPOSED RULE 10 CFR PART 50

Dear Mr. Secretary:

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There are absolutely no circumstances where the NRC should authorize a full power operating license if the utility cannot meet all of the NRC's current emergency planning requirements.

I believe that my health and safety, and that of my family are of paramount importance.

I urge the NRC Commissioners in the strongest possible way not to change the rules.

Sincerely,

LOUIS DE MAIO  
97 BOWLING LN.  
DEER PARK, NY 11729

(Name)

Address

(Town, State, Zip)

P.S. You neglected  
to send letters to my four  
grandchildren. You're slipping

Acknowledged by card.

Please fold along this line, and return to me before April 24.

DOCKET NUMBER PR-58 (2453)  
PROPOSED RULE (52 FR 6980)

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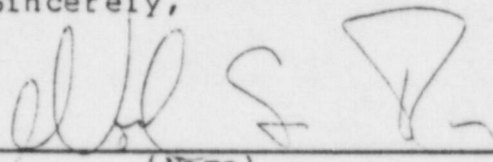
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(Name)

863 Church St.  
(Address)

Bohemia, NY 11716  
(Town, State, zip)

863 CHURCH STREET  
BOHEMIA, N. Y. 11716-5005

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To: Secretary, Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

OFFICE OF THE  
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Re: Low-power testing at Seabrook and 10 CFR Part 50  
Date: 4/87

Please register my strong objection both to low-power testing at the Seabrook nuclear power plant and to the proposed rule to allow the NRC to issue operating licenses to utilities even in situations where state governors consider emergency evacuation plans inadequate to ensure the safety of the public.

State governors can contribute an important and impartial voice to decisions on evacuation planning. At the Seabrook plant, over 100,000 people gather at nearby beaches on hot summer days, and no one has yet produced a reasonable plan to evacuate them in the event of a major release of radiation. Governor Dukakis should be applauded for refusing to approve unworkable evacuation plans. In doing so he has insisted that the safety of area residents and visitors be placed ahead of the financial interests of the utility involved. A company with a large investment in a power plant cannot be counted on to make such a wise decision, which is why evacuation planning should never rest with the utilities themselves.

On the issue of low-power testing, if the NRC licenses New Hampshire Yankee before the emergency planning debate is resolved, you will send the public the clearest possible message that the Commission is committed to seeing Seabrook go on line at any cost. This is not an appropriate position for a regulatory agency to take.

Thank you for considering and recording my opinion on these issues.

Sincerely,

Robert H. Rabinowitz

Mary Rabinowitz

Dr. Robert H. Rabinowitz  
Executive Director  
New England Nuclear  
Seabrook, NH 03872

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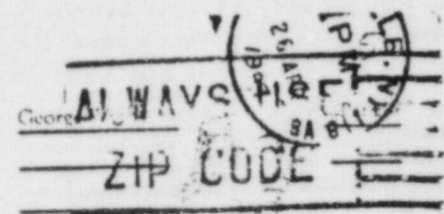
Dear Sir:

I am opposed to your proposed rule change which would allow public utilities to submit evacuation plans for communities within the EPZ's of nuclear power plants, when state and local governments refuse to participate in such planning. This proposed rule contradicts President Reagan's position that "this administration does not favor the imposition of federal authority over the objections of state and local governments in matters regarding the adequacy of an emergency evacuation plan for a nuclear power plant." Has the President forgotten this position or does the present NRC board repudiate the Presidents' views? The Federal Emergency Management Agency, FEMA, states clearly that any plans developed without state participation cannot meet their safety standards. Would the commission dismantle FEMA as well? Since Chernobyl, three countries have abandoned nuclear power altogether: Austria, Sweden, and the Philippines, with Greece canceling its first reactor. According to Worldwatch Institute polls, 78% of all Americans oppose any further nuclear power plants. The NRC prefers to dig in its heels and license nuclear power plants at any cost to public health and safety. Perhaps it is time for the resignations of chairman Lando Zech and Mr. Victor Stello for starters. The people will turn to Congress to have their voice heard. I believe we still have a democratic form of government in this country.

Yours truly,

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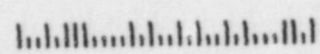
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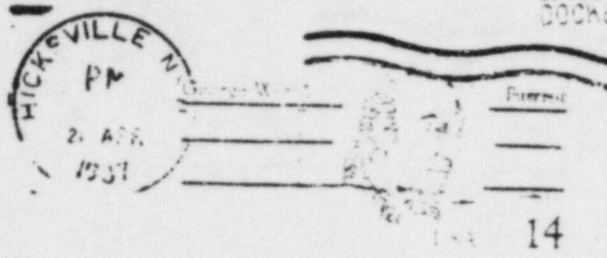
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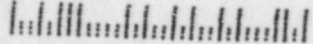
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*East Hampton*  
*May 11 1989*  
*M. S. [Signature]*

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Base for thousands of people  
on Long Island!!  
No!!

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