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General Comment

I just learned from Assemblywoman Galef that NRC oversight for Indian Point, among other sites, will be reduced. This is terrifying for someone living within 10 miles of the enormous stores of deadly nuclear waste.

Holtec has no motivation to bear the expenses necessary to ensure our safety. On the contrary, their commitment to their shareholders is to maximize profits by minimizing costs. Only the NRC stands between us and a potential life-threatening and property destroying catastrophe brought on by excessive cost cutting by Holtec.

I also understand that, without supervision, Holtec is likely to dump toxic nuclear waste into the Hudson River. My wife and I enjoy kayaking on the Hudson. Do we now need to stop enjoying the most important natural resource in our area for fear of exposure to radioactivity and all of the potential illnesses associated? What about the localities upstream who draw their drinking water from the Hudson?

I hope the NRC can take seriously its role to make nuclear power safe for all of us including the operational and decommissioning phases, rather than promote the financial benefits to Holtec's shareholders and managers.