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June 5, 2000

Chairman Richard A. Meserve
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Chairman Meserve:

The announcement of Consolidated Edison's (ConEd) intent to resume operations at Indian Point 2 nuclear power plant with the current steam generators has generated a great deal of concern among citizens in the communities surrounding the facility. I am writing you today to express my profound concerns with this potential course of action.

As your agency reviews ConEd's request, the implications that it might have on the safety of the surrounding communities must be central in reaching a final determination. The unresolved inspection and performance issues, and an ongoing investigation by the NRC's Inspector General, can only lead me to conclude that the resumption of operations at the plant prior to a replacement of the steam generators is entirely unacceptable.

A number of outstanding safety issues need to be addressed. Specifically, I have concerns about the possibility of contaminated water having been released into the Hudson River in the days following the alert and its impact on human health and the environment.

Given the various steam generator inspection and performance issues which have come to light since a tube at the facility ruptured on February 15, ConEd's intention to restart operations with the same steam generators raises some serious questions about the safety of the plant's operations. The concerns of many of us in the community with the current steam generators would appear to be validated by your agency's recent conclusion that the Indian Point 2 facility warranted strict "agency-focus" oversight, a designation given to only two other plants in the entire nation.

I urge you to reject ConEd's request to resume operations at Indian Point 2 at this time.

Your consideration to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,


Sue W. Kelly
Member of Congress

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