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Richard A. Meserve
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Dear Chairman Meserve:

Once again, I am contacting you concerning the Indian Point nuclear power plants in Buchanan, New York.

I recently learned through our local newspapers that, on June 10, 2000, the Indian Point III nuclear power plant abruptly shut down for unknown reasons. According to reports, the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is investigating the matter. Although the reports explain that this type of incident was not a threat to the public and "occurs about 100 times per year at the country's 103 active nuclear plants," I would have appreciated learning this information from your agency. However, once again, my office was not contacted in response to this event.

Moreover, the NRC is presently reviewing the Consolidated Edison (ConEd) restart proposal concerning the Tuesday, February 16th, 2000, incident at Indian Point II. As you are aware, I and a number of legislators from throughout our Hudson region have called for the replacement of the steam generators prior to restart of the plant. These requests, along with a petition submitted by the Union of Concerned Scientists, are presently under review.

I must reiterate my great concern for the safety and welfare of the communities throughout our Hudson region. It seems that the Indian Point facilities are the center of regional news on a regular basis. Accordingly, I request the Nuclear Regulatory Commission hold an additional public meeting to provide the effected communities with the opportunity to receive a status report on these facilities and the February 2000 incident, and offer their input on the future of Indian Point.

I look forward to hearing from on this request.

Sincerely,



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