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Representative Sue W. Kelly

TO:

Chairman Meserve

FOR SIGNATURE OF : \*\* PRI \*\*

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Chairman

DESC:

ROUTING:

Radioactive Material Spill at Indian Point 2  
During Operations to Replace Steam Generators

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DATE: 10/27/00

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**SUBJECT:** Concerns spill of radioactive material at Indian Point 2 during operations to replace steam generators  
  
**ACTION:** Signature of Chairman  
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October 23, 2000

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

Dear Chairman Meserve:

It has been reported that a spill of radioactive material occurred at the Indian Point 2 nuclear power facility during operations to replace the plant's steam generators this month. The safety of operations at this plant has been a serious concern for some time now, and I was tremendously frustrated to learn of this latest incident. Please provide me with a full report of the circumstances surrounding this mishap, including a detailed explanation as to how it occurred and to what corrective actions have been taken.

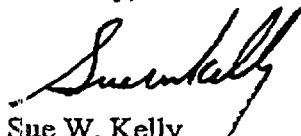
I also request from you at this time a detailed report on the status of efforts undertaken by the NRC and Consolidated Edison to address the wide variety of problems which have come to light recently, including those issues raised in the NRC Inspector General report.

Furthermore, I hope to receive from you an explanation as to how your agency plans to handle Consolidated Edison's proposal to restart operations at Indian Point 2 upon completion of the steam generator replacement. I encourage and expect a full and formal deliberation of any such proposal. More specifically, I am reiterating my request that a commission hearing be held prior to a decision on restart, and that the decision be rendered by a commission vote rather than NRC staff.

In view of the problems experienced by both the NRC and Con Ed in maintaining a safely-operating Indian Point 2 facility, this level of scrutiny is certainly justified.

Your immediate attention and response to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

  
Sue W. Kelly  
Member of Congress

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