



News from U.S. Representative

Sue Kelly

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Kelly Presses Con Edison for "Straight Answers" on IP2 Inspection

*Public Hearings May Be Necessary to Obtain All the Facts, Says Kelly
Renews Call for Full Public Disclosure of INPO Report*

WASHINGTON – A day after Con Edison officials refused to comment on a request to make available for public review an undisclosed inspection report on the Indian Point 2 steam generators, U.S. Rep. Sue Kelly renewed her call for full public disclosure of the report and said she will push for public hearings if Con Ed refuses to make the report public.

"If Con Ed wants to restart this plant, the public is entitled to some straight answers first," said Kelly, who said Con Ed should replace the current steam generators before the plant is restarted.

Con Edison has cited an inspection by the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations (INPO) as evidence that Indian Point 2 should be permitted to restart without replacing the steam generators that caused the February 15th alert at the plant. Con Edison has yet to make the report available to the public.

"The public deserves all of the facts on the safety of Indian Point 2, not just those facts Con Ed wants the public to have," said Kelly. "If Con Ed refuses to make the INPO report available for public review, public hearings may be necessary to obtain all of the facts."

"Con Ed was quick to cite the INPO report to back up its request to restart the plant," said Kelly. "But when pressed for more information, Con Ed officials turn silent. The public deserves the full report, not the run-around."

On Monday, Kelly wrote to Con Ed officials requesting that the full INPO report be made public. The Institute of Nuclear Power Operations tracks the performance of nuclear power plants nationwide and was formed by the industry after the Three Mile Island accident in 1979.

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