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The Office of the Secretary,
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001
Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudication Staff
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November 10, 2004

RE: Entergy-VT Yankee Uprate

Dear ASLB:

The towns of Leyden, Colrain, Greenfield, Gill, Warwick, Northfield, and Bernardston, Massachusetts lie partly within the 10-mile emergency evacuation zone of the Entergy-VT Yankee nuclear reactor. As elected representatives of citizens of these towns, we are deeply concerned about Entergy's request to increase power at the VT Yankee nuclear reactor.

Last Spring, we sent a letter to the VT Public Service Board asking them to require an independent safety inspection at the Entergy-VT Yankee nuclear power plant and to make their decision regarding a power uprate conditional upon a review of the plant similar to the one conducted at Maine Yankee before its closure. Many state and federal officials from Vermont and Massachusetts joined us in making this request to the NRC and the VT Public Service Board. NRC denied the request.

We consider an independent and thorough safety assessment necessary for the full confidence of our constituents in the safe operation of the ENVY reactor at uprated conditions.

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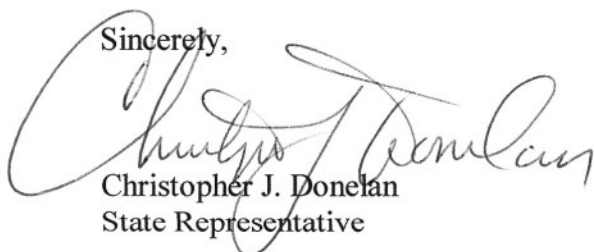
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We ask you to consider this and trust that your decision will be in the best interest of the public.

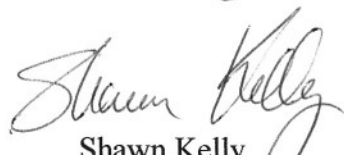
Sincerely,



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