

Docket, Hearing

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To: Docket, Hearing
Subject: [External_Sender] Indian Point power plant closure

Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

The agreement to close the Indian Point Power Plants was made, in secrecy, by three parties: Entergy, the Governor of New York, and Riverkeeper, one of the environmental groups in the region. To my knowledge, the NRC was not informed at the time of the announcement, and the people of the region were also not informed.

If Indian Point is closed, electricity will be produced largely using natural gas, and two new or rebuilt plants, Dover and Danskammer, will essentially replace Indian Point. This process produces a large amount of carbon dioxide, the main cause of global climate change. In addition, another important greenhouse gas, methane, inevitably escapes from natural gas production and transport.

My laboratory overlooks Indian Point; the domes are about a half mile from my window. It is, in my opinion, a very good neighbor, producing no noise or gaseous pollution that I can detect.

Jobs and tax revenue will also be negatively affected, and so I believe that the public should have its say in this matter, via a plebiscite or some other democratic means.

Sincerely,

Brian J. Fitzpatrick