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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Re: Shoreham Nuclear Power Station  
Docket No. 50-322; Suffolk Co.  
Motion to Terminate Shoreham  
Licensing Proceeding

Dear Sirs:

I am the Mayor of the Village of Sag Harbor on eastern Long Island, which lies east of LILCO's Shoreham Nuclear Power Plant. The Village of Sag Harbor is home to more than 2800 year-round residents, and in the summer, our population swells to more than 5000 people. I am writing this letter in support of Suffolk County's Motion to Terminate the Shoreham Operating License Proceeding (dated February 23, 1983) and its Motion for Certification which seeks a prompt resolution by the Commission on the issues raised by its motion. In view of the overwhelming and controlling significance of the legal questions raised by the County's Motion and the need for a quick resolution of the present Shoreham dispute by the residents and ratepayers of eastern Long Island, I urge you to devote your immediate attention to the County's Motion and to terminate the Shoreham proceeding without further delay.

My support for Suffolk County is based upon a number of factors, in particular, the determination by Suffolk County that the safe evacuation of eastern Long Island (as well as other areas of Suffolk County) is impossible and my belief that the Shoreham Nuclear Plant is not safe

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enough to operate. I support the exhaustive effort made by Suffolk County officials and experts to determine the feasibility of safely evacuating Suffolk County residents and the subsequent decision of the Suffolk County Legislature, on the basis on that investigation, that safe evacuation is not possible. Accordingly, I share Suffolk County's view that Shoreham cannot be permitted to operate and that this legal issue must be resolved by the Commission itself.

As you can appreciate, the future of Shoreham is of utmost concern to all of Long Island, and the present uncertainty regarding its future and the continued expenditure of tens of millions of dollars to complete a plant which legally cannot be permitted to operate is wasteful and irresponsible. I strongly believe that the public interest would not be served by further months of debate and litigation in the NRC licensing hearings and that the matter requires your direct intervention.

Accordingly, I urge you to devote your immediate attention to resolving the present legal dispute surrounding the Shoreham project by granting Suffolk County's Motion to Terminate the Operating License Proceedings without further delay.

Very truly yours,

Fred Runco

Fred Runco, Mayor

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