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Dear Mr. Ippolito:

As the nuclear regulating agency of
our government, does the NRC have
the power or choice of shutting down
a nuclear plant for good?

My "home" plant, in Vernon, is a
constant and grave threat to my very
existence. The operating record is terrible;
the trust I have in the staff is very small.

How can your agency permit operation of
any nuclear plants, when there are so many

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Serious questions remaining unanswered,
such as: 1. (Of course) what about the
ultimate home for the wastes?

2. Who pays for decommissioning?
(To whom should I be addressing this
question, by the way?)

3. What about low level radiation -
affecting those near the plants and along
transportation routes of fuel and wastes?
There is now adequate documentation
to support this decision for not operating.

4. Evacuation is ridiculous -
our plan is totally inadequate - for
instance, there are no operating hours
for the Emergency radio stations from
midnight or 1230 till 6 or so in the AM.

Where does the buck stop now?

Where should it stop?

Your consideration will be
appreciated.

Sincerely yours,
Meredith Leonard