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Dear Chairman Palladino:

News that the NRC is considering closing the nuclear plants at Indian Point New York is of great alarm to the citizens and the business community of Brooklyn.

The impact of such a ruling would strike at the utility payer in Brooklyn, discourage the business growth in the metropolitan area and encourage business to leave the northeast region.

Utility rates are already at a high level and any further unnecessary escalation would be an economic disaster to New York. Business cannot absorb a five to eight percent rise in operating cost at this crucial time in our national recovery.

It would seem a wiser course of action to require local communities to make a greater effort to implement reasonable evacuation plans and if necessary utilize both the State and Federal resources towards this purpose.

Your most serious consideration will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Joseph F. French
President

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