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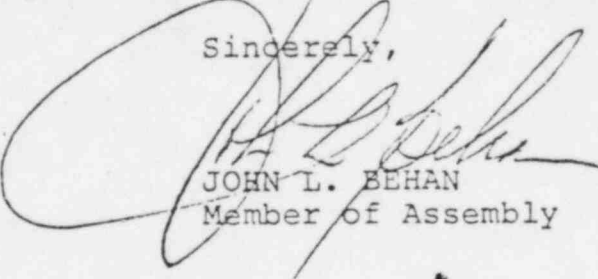
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Washington, D. C. 20555

Dear Members of the Commission:

I am writing to support the request of Suffolk County Executive Peter Cohalan, dated February 23, 1983, that the NRC Commissioners immediately take charge to decide the question whether the Shoreham licensing proceedings should be terminated. The County Executive and the Suffolk County Legislature, based upon evidence gathered by experts from around the nation, have determined that Emergency Radiological Response Planning for Long Island is inoperable and unacceptable, given the geographic and demographic characteristics of Long Island. In addition, the Governor of the State of New York has ordered a state Disaster Preparedness Commission not to consider any plan without the county approval.

The majority of the residents of Long Island, and the public officials who represent them in state, county and local offices, have concluded that Shoreham proposes an unacceptable threat to their health, safety and general welfare. Therefore, I urge you to terminate the Shoreham licensing proceedings as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,



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