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The Honorable Helen Hoyt  
Atomic Safety and Licensing Board  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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Dear Judge Hoyt:

A number of Massachusetts residents recently traveled a considerable distance to participate in NRC pre-licensing hearings for Seabrook Station, held last month at several New Hampshire locations. Most of us took time off from jobs and family responsibilities to make the trip.

As you are aware, there are six Massachusetts communities, including the City of Newburyport, which are located within ten miles of the proposed Seabrook plant. It is interesting to note that the one hearing which was very well attended was the one near the Massachusetts border in Seabrook itself.

We realize that there will be another round of hearings in December, at which public input on the issue of emergency planning will be solicited. We urge you to include a Massachusetts site for one or more of these hearings, preferably centrally located in Newburyport. Many, many Massachusetts residents would welcome an opportunity to express their views on emergency plans if such a hearing were held reasonably close to their own home towns.

Sincerely,

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