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United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Office of Inspection and Enforcement Region 1
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania

RE: Shoreham Nuclear Power Plant

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a copy of a resolution adopted by the
Mt. Sinai Parents Teachers Organization in regard to the
licensing of the Shoreham Nuclear Power Plant.

We in the administration of the Town of Brookhaven
thought you should be informed of the concerns of our residents.

Sincerely,

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Supervisor

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MT. SINAI PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION--DRAFT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Mt. Sinai Parent Teacher Organization, having discussed LILCO's emergency evacuation plan for schools in the event of a nuclear accident at the Shoreham plant, wishes to advise the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Shoreham licensing board of the plan's workability for its community; and

WHEREAS, LILCO's emergency evacuation plan is dependent on our schools' early dismissal procedures; and

WHEREAS, this PTO has considered the following weaknesses in the LILCO evacuation plan:

1. Transportation

We are certain that the required number of buses and drivers for successful early dismissal will not be available to the schools. Drivers may need to attend to the safety of their own families first and may refuse to drive school buses. Furthermore, because of the shortage of buses in our school district, transporting children from school to home normally necessitates three bus shifts. Consequently, there is no possibility of a quick evacuation.

2. Needs of School Personnel

We are certain that not all teaching and non-teaching personnel will stay in schools to supervise early dismissal. Many of the teaching and non-teaching staff will leave school to attend to the needs of their own families. Consequently, not enough school personnel will be available to attend to emergency-related jobs. A teacher survey conducted in the Mt. Sinai school district indicated that a majority of the teachers would not remain in school to supervise emergency procedures.

3. Lack of Parental Supervision

Should there be a nuclear accident at the Shoreham plant, the success of an early dismissal plan depends not only on prompt dismissal from the schools, but on prompt evacuation of children from their homes as well. It is probable, however, that many panic-stricken children will be locked out of their homes; or that even if these children can enter their homes their parents will not be present to carry out the necessary second part of an evacuation.

4. Parental Intercession

We cannot be assured that all parents will wait at home for their children to arrive. Many parents will attempt to retrieve their children at schools, thereby increasing confusion and chaos.

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5. Panic

The announcement of a nuclear emergency at Shoreham will cause disorientation and panic in children, teachers, non-teaching staff, and parents. This will further hinder effective and safe dismissal from our schools.

6. Relocation

If an emergency at Shoreham requires evacuating our children from schools directly to a relocation center, our school district would be unable to handle this situation effectively. (See #1, Transportation)

7. Supervision at Relocation Centers

Once again we are certain that teaching and/or non-teaching school personnel will not all travel to and remain at relocation centers to supervise children for a possibly indefinite period of time. The Mt. Sinai teacher survey showed that over 70% of the teachers would have left for their own homes after the first hour, and that a majority of the teachers would refuse to accompany children to relocation centers.

8. Sheltering

The LILCO plan suggests that sheltering, rather than evacuating, may be the preferred protective action in schools in specific Shoreham emergencies. The Mt. Sinai school district has one basement in its elementary school. The size and function (for furnace and boiler facilities and the storage of extra furniture) of this basement preclude the sheltering of all but a small number of our school population.

9. Trust in Public Information

In the LILCO plan, the only source of public information during an emergency is LILCO itself. As a result of LILCO's past statements and actions with regard to Shoreham, many of us in our community are already skeptical of LILCO's words and intentions. The fact that LILCO might also be involved in a conflict of interest--being both operator of the plant and initiator of emergency actions--would tend to intensify doubts about the validity of LILCO's information during an emergency.

Now, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Mt. Sinai Parent Teacher Organization finds that LILCO's emergency plans for our schools do not offer us adequate protection or quick and effective evacuation for our children in the event of an accident at the Shoreham Nuclear Power Plant; and

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RESOLVED, that we agree with our Suffolk County legislators that in fact no safe evacuation of our community is possible; and

RESOLVED, that we believe that a full-power license should not be granted to the Shoreham Nuclear Power Plant.