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Judge Helen F. Hoyt
 Chairperson, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board
 U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
 Washington, DC 20555

Dear Madam Chairperson:

I would like to address the question of an evacuation plan for the Limerick Generating Station.

A full evacuation drill was held in July in which everyone within the Emergency Planning Zone was to participate. However, several municipalities and school districts refused to be involved. Now they are stating that they do not feel the plant should receive a full power license unless a drill is held to prove out the evacuation plan. If they feel this way, why did they refuse to participate when they had a chance? I feel they are out of line to come back now and complain about the evacuation plan when they did not test it out in July.

Why are these people so concerned about a nuclear power plant with state-of-the-art safety features, and yet they have no fear of a chemical plant in their back yards? As was proven within the past few weeks, a chemical plant presents a much greater hazard to the community than the nuclear power plant, and yet no one would think to suggest that Occidental come up with a plan to evacuate the area when they have a nuclear accident. It is my opinion that Limerick Generating Station will never kill 2500 people because of a nuclear accident, but I'm not so sure about chemical companies in the area.

Let's get our priorities straight and bring local industries up to the safety levels achieved by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for power plants, and not give up safe, efficient power because of a few alarmists.

Sincerely,

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