

**Supporting The Westchester County Board Of Legislators
Resolution No. 269-2003, Calling On The Nuclear Regulatory
Commission (NRC) To Reject The Re-licensing Of Entergy Corp's
Indian Point 2 And 3 Nuclear Power Plants Located In Buchanan,
New York**

Legislators Zimet, Bartels, Berardi, Dart, Donaldson, Feldmann, Hyatt, Kraft, Lomita, Loughran, R.A. Parete, R.S. Parete, Provenzano, Rodriguez, Shapiro, Stoeckeler and Stock offer the following:

WHEREAS, the Westchester County Board of Legislators passed Resolution No. 269-2003 calling on the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to reject the re-licensing of Entergy Corp's Indian Point 2 and Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plants located in Buchanan, New York, and

WHEREAS, the current licenses of Indian Point 2 and 3 expires in 2013 and 2015 respectively, and Entergy Corp has indicated a desire to seek a 20 year license extension, and

WHEREAS, over 400 Democrat and Republican elected officials have called for the closure of Indian Point, and

WHEREAS, the Westchester County Board of Legislators requested the Ulster County Legislature to consider going on record as opposing a long drawn out re-licensing but rather join all appropriate and concerned parties in planning for the plants eventual closing and decommissioning, and work towards a non-nuclear future at the Indian Point site, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature voted to refer this issue to the Criminal Justice/Public Safety/DWI Committee and upon review the Committee requested the presentation be made to the entire Legislature, and

WHEREAS, at a joint caucus of the Ulster County Legislature on February 2, 2005 at 6:00 PM, an informational meeting was held per the Committee's request, and

WHEREAS, for a third year in a row, since the release of the Witt report, Westchester County Executive Spano, Rockland County Executive Vanderhoef and Orange County Executive Diana have again chosen to protect the health, welfare and safety of their residents living in the emergency planning zone by refusing to submit their Annual Certification Letters for Indian Point's emergency evacuation plans, and

WHEREAS, new concerns about the evacuation plans has arisen due to numerous Indian Point sirens inability to rotate and alert all the public in case of an emergency, and

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WHEREAS, there is no emergency back-up power to operate the sirens and therefore, in the event of an emergency situation during a power outage, there would be no way to notify the public, and

WHEREAS, if plant owner first applied for a license to operate a nuclear power plant at the Indian Point site today, it would not likely be granted by the NRC under its current standards and regulations that specifically prohibit the siting of nuclear power plants based on population density surrounding the site, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature unanimously passed Resolution No. 188 for purposes of protecting our first responders from the hazards of Depleted Uranium, and

WHEREAS, the dangers to our first responders as well as the general public would be catastrophic if an accident was to happen at Indian Point.

RESOLVED, the Ulster County Legislature give the requested support to the elected leaders of a neighboring county concerned with the safety and welfare of its citizenry, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature vote to support Westchester County Resolution No. 269-2003 on behalf of the safety and welfare of all Ulster County residents,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 26

NOES: 6

(Legislators: Cummings, DePew,
Gerentine, Hathaway, Meyer,
and Noonan)

(Legislator Tipp left at 7:17 P.M.)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
NONE