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April 23, 2015

Honorable Norman C. Bay
Chairman
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street NE, Room 1A
Washington, DC 20426

Re: Project Docket Number CP14-96-000

Dear Chairmen Bay,

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FEDERAL ENERGY
REGULATORY COMMISSION

I write to you once again with grave concern over the approval that has been given for the siting of Spectra's Algonquin Incremental Market Project Pipeline in the vicinity of Entergy's Indian Point Nuclear Power plant. The information I have received from many sources continues to point to the need for additional scrutiny and independent analyses to be conducted before a final determination is issued. As such, I strongly support the Request for Rehearing that was submitted by various groups including a coalition of groups, municipalities and impacted residents from New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and the City of Peekskill and Town of Cortlandt.

I also support the request for a stay of operations to prevent Spectra from doing any construction, or preliminary set-up for construction, prior to the issuance of DEC air and water permits. The 401 water quality certification is pending, as are the two Title V air permit modifications for Stony Point and Southeast, and, since the FERC Certificate states:

"We stress that this order's authorization is subject to Algonquin's compliance with numerous specific conditions, including the requirement to obtain favorable determinations from other agencies that have jurisdiction over various aspects of the project. Consequently, we find no need to delay issuing our decision, given that our authorizations are conditioned to preclude the applicants from commencing construction until all other necessary permits and approvals under federal law are granted, including water quality certificates under the Clean Water Act."

Therefore, I believe that no construction should be permitted until all of those authorizations have been received.

Furthermore, I continue to call for an independent analysis to be conducted and would like to suggest that the National Transportation Safety Board would be the appropriate entity, given their extensive experience with pipeline ruptures and investigations and safety recommendations following such ruptures.

I would appreciate a response to these concerns and recommendations in a timely fashion.

Sincerely,

Sandra R. Galef
New York State Assembly
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**Representing the following municipalities in a 15 mile
radius of Indian Point: Cortlandt, Buchanan, Croton,
Peekskill, Nelsonville, Cold Spring, Ossining, Briarcliff,
Philipstown**

**cc: U.S. Senator Charles Schumer
U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand
Congresswoman Nita Lowey
Commissioner Joseph Maartens, NYS DEC
NYS Attorney General Eric Schneiderman
Legislator Catherine Borgia, Westchester County
Legislator John Testa, Westchester County
Supervisor Linda Puglisi, Town of Cortlandt
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