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Town Supervisor

Indian Point's Closure Announced by Governor Andrew Cuomo and the Entergy CEO on January 9, 2017

ONE YEAR LATER REPORT

January 9, 2018

By: Town of Cortlandt Supervisor Linda D. Puglisi with comments from Village of Buchanan Mayor, Theresa Knickerbocker Superintendent of Hendrick Hudson School District, Joseph Hochreiter

One year ago today an announcement was made at two press conferences to close the two active nuclear energy plants at Indian Point located in the Village of Buchanan and in the Town of Cortlandt in the years 2020 and 2021.

"It's been a year of many meetings, asking many questions and trying to get our head around the challenges we face and how best to mitigate the loss of revenue and jobs for our community." Mayor Theresa Knickerbocker, Village of Buchanan

"While the news of Indian Point's closure shocked and surprised our community, I remain optimistic and hopeful that our collective advocacy efforts, by working with local state and federal officials, will ensure that our world class educational opportunities for the children of Hendrick Hudson remain intact for generations to come.

Our community has rallied together and has shown a resilience to work collaboratively, a willingness to be informed and educated, and commitment to work together as we confront the revenue gap Indian Point's closure will create. One year later, our focus will be to ensure governmental financial assistance, and that property taxes will not be the sole source to close the projected financial gap. We will also focus on working with area businesses and economic development associations in an attempt to re-imagine and redevelop the Indian Point property so we can create new and innovative business opportunities in our region on the plant's site. "~ Superintendent Joseph Hochreiter, Hendrick Hudson School District.

I attended the Entergy's CEO press conference that morning that took place in Tarrytown, not in our Village or Town. None of us in the local area were given any prior notice of this announcement which in my opinion was unfair.

Along with my partners, Village of Buchanan Mayor, Theresa Knickerbocker and Hendrick Hudson's School Superintendent, Joseph Hochreiter formed a local Community Unity Task Force that has met at least once a month at Cortlandt Town Hall. The members include representatives from affected entities that will lose annual revenue once the plants close: Town of Cortlandt, Village of Buchanan, Hendrick Hudson School District, Westchester County, Verplanck Fire District and the Hendrick Hudson Free Library. Local realtors, the Chamber of Commerce, Labor Union/Trades representatives, a local citizen's organization – Power through Cortlandt, and other interested residents, other elected officials or their representatives (at other levels of government) and staff advisors from the town, Village and School District are members of this active task force.

In total all of the entities receive annually \$32 million dollars: They will all lose this revenue with the closure of Indian Point.

Town of Cortlandt	2%	\$ 800,000.
Village of Buchanan	46%	\$ 4 million
Hendrick Hudson School District	33%	\$24 million
Westchester County	1%	\$ 4 million
Verplanck Fire District	64%	\$ 372,703.
Hendrick Hudson Free Library	28%	\$ 394,110.

The other challenges will be the loss of jobs: 1,100 permanent, many part-time workers and outside contractors, as well. On a given day there could be 2,000 workers at the 240 acres site and at the two active operating nuclear plants that supply most of the power to New York City and the area.

Where will that replacement energy come from is a main question we all have been asking over the year. Also, the decommissioning of the plants could take up to sixty (60) years according to the NRC and therefore the re-use of this site is in question. This is an important point to make because our community needs to find other economic/commercial/industrial businesses to help us offset the loss of revenue and jobs.

The Town of Cortlandt Town Board and I are hiring and paying for an outside economic development consultant to assist us with this endeavor. I believe the State and/or Entergy should pay for this consultant (\$75,000.) since they announced the closure of the plants.

I immediately with my colleagues requested that the Governor establish a Blue Ribbon Commission or at least a State task force to work with us on these very serious issues and concerns. They did in the Spring of 2017 and I along with the Mayor and Superintendent are members of this task force. The State also has retained a consultant to specifically address the reuse of the 240 acres in the near/far future. That report will be completed in April of 2018.

It has been a year of intense research including speaking to other communities that have gone through closures of nuclear plants (i.e. in Illinois, Vermont and Massachusetts). We have had many speakers address our local task force including Entergy, the NRC, other applicable agencies and public officials at every level of government. Mayor Knickerbocker traveled to Vermont to speak to officials and residents going through a closure of a nuclear plant.

We attended many other forums, have given talks to various groups, testified in Albany to state committees and written monthly reports/updates for our community, which have been posted on our town website/facebook. The Village and School District do the same.

In the year 2011, when Governor Cuomo first took office I requested in writing a meeting with him and that a task force or a Commission be established to start planning for the eventual closure of Indian Point, since he was stating even then that it was his intention to have the plants closed. For whatever reason, that meeting never took place and still hasn't taken place. However, many of the states' departments are working with us on the State Task Force, which we all appreciate. We are looking forward to the reuse report in April.

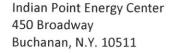
We also have the support of other elected officials including Congresswoman Nita Lowey, Assemblywoman Sandy Galef, State Senator Terence Murphy and our two County Legislators, Catherine Borgia and John Testa.

The real problem is that there is no source of funding at the state or federal levels to offset our loss of revenue that begins in 2020/2021 - \$32 million in total and the loss of many good jobs.

The Town Board and I have agreed to set aside \$100,000 each year in a special fund to address our loss of revenue in our budget from these plants closing (\$800,000 each year is what we have received). I thank my partners and our task force and always our town board members for their efforts on this challenge. We will continue to work very hard for our community.

Supervisor Linda Puglisi Town of Cortlandt

Attached are some of the reports and attachments from 2017





Date:

Jan. 9, 2017

For Release:

Immediately

Contact:

Patricia Kakridas 916-208-3464, cell Media Advisory

Entergy Holds Press Conference to Discuss Decision to Close Indian Point Energy Center in New York in 2020-2021

TARRYTOWN, N.Y., January 9, 2017 — At 12:30 p.m. eastern today, Entergy will hold a press conference to discuss its decision to close the Indian Point Energy Center in Buchanan, N.Y. in 2020-2021.

Bill Mohl, president of Entergy Wholesale Commodities, will address the factors that led to the decision and will be available to answer questions from accredited journalists.

All media must RSVP in advance and present credentialed press badges at the check-in table. The check-in process will begin 30-40 minutes prior to 12:30 p.m. For individuals unable to attend in-person, the press conference will also be available via teleconference and WebEx. Please note the press conference will not be streamed live.

WHEN:

12:30 – 1:30 p.m. EST, Monday, January 9, 2017

WHERE:

DoubleTree in Tarrytown 455 South Broadway

Tarrytown, NY 10591

NOTE: Upon arrival, please follow posted signs to the press conference

venue.

SPEAKERS:

Bill Mohl

President

Entergy Wholesale Commodities

LIVE DIAL-IN:

Toll-Free Dial-In: 844.309.6569

International Dial-In: 661.378.9469

Conference ID: 50056146

Link to Webcast: http://edge.media-server.com/m/p/7qtnpz2u

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The New Hork Times http://nyti.ms/2i14p5T

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Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant to Close by 2021

By VIVIAN YEE and PATRICK McGEEHAN JAN. 6, 2017

The Indian Point nuclear plant will shut down by April 2021 under an agreement New York State reached this week with Entergy, the utility company that owns the facility in Westchester County, according to a person with direct knowledge of the deal.

Under the terms of the agreement, one of the two nuclear reactors at Indian Point will permanently cease operations by April 2020, while the other must be closed by April 2021. The shutdown has been a long-held priority for Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo, who — though supportive of upstate nuclear plants — has repeatedly called for shutting down Indian Point, which he says poses too great a risk to New York City, less than 30 miles to the south.

"Why you would allow Indian Point to continue to operate defies common sense, planning and basic sanity," Mr. Cuomo told reporters in June.

Despite the political opposition to Indian Point, which is perched on the edge of the Hudson River in Buchanan, N.Y., the plant is a key supplier of inexpensive power to the metropolitan area. It has the capacity to generate more than 2,000 megawatts, or about one-fourth of the power consumed in New York City and Westchester County. The prospects for replacing that power are so far unclear, but potential options include hydropower from Quebec and power from wind farms already operating across New York, according to the person.

State officials believe the Entergy agreement will help convince renewable energy providers that the state is serious about looking for new sources of energy, the person said. But without a viable replacement source, ratepayers in New York City could be burdened with higher energy prices for years.

Entergy has agreed to make repairs and safety upgrades, including transferring spent fuel to what the state says is a safer storage system. The company will also allow safety inspections starting this year, bowing to longtime demands from the Cuomo administration; the office of the state attorney general, Eric T. Schneiderman; and Riverkeeper, the environmental nonprofit group, all of which participated in the deal.

In exchange, the state and Riverkeeper will drop safety and environmental claims against Indian Point they had previously filed with federal regulatory agencies.

Entergy, which is based in New Orleans, has been seeking a 20-year renewal of its license from the federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission since 2007. But New York State officials have challenged that renewal on several fronts and have refused to grant permits that they say the plant needs to continue operating.

Jerry Nappi, a spokesman for Entergy in Westchester County, declined to comment.

Mr. Schneiderman's office has opposed Entergy's relicensing bid in the courts, arguing that the plant poses safety and environmental hazards to the surrounding area; the agreement calls for Mr. Schneiderman to drop that challenge.

Under the agreement with the state, Entergy has committed to applying for a six-year license renewal. The agreement may help clear the way for approval. The reactors' licenses expired in 2013 and 2015.

The agreement would also require Entergy to establish a new emergency operations center in the Dutchess County town of Fishkill, as well as to create a \$15 million fund to finance projects related to environmental protection and other community benefits. The company will be obligated to consult regularly with Riverkeeper and other local groups.

The agreement also provides for flexibility if the state cannot find a replacement for Indian Point's energy: The deadlines in 2020 and 2021 can be pushed to 2024 and 2025 if both the state and Entergy agree.

Negotiations between the company and the Cuomo administration began in early December, according to the person with direct knowledge of the agreement. It was set to be announced on Monday.

The agreement is reminiscent of one arranged by Mr. Cuomo's father, Gov. Mario Cuomo, in 1989. Mario Cuomo negotiated a decomissioning of the Shoreham nuclear power plant on Long Island, which was never put into service. Its owner, the Long Island Lighting Company, sold the plant to the state for \$1, but Long Island ratepayers were paying higher bills for years.

Correction: January 6, 2017

An earlier version of this article misstated the county where Fishkill, N.Y., is located. It is Dutchess County, not Westchester.

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RICHARD H. BECKER FRANCIS X. FARRELL ANN LINDAU JOHN E. SLOAN

July 5, 2011

The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo Governor of New York State NYS State Capitol Building Albany, NY 12224

Dear Governor Cuomo,

As Supervisor in the Town of Cortlandt, Westchester County, New York, I would like to request a meeting with you to discuss the future of the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant. The plant is located in the Village of Buchanan, which is situated in the Town of Cortlandt. The issues surrounding the power plant are of great importance to myself, the Cortlandt Town Board, the Hendrick Hudson School District, the Village of Buchanan, as well as to our Town residents.

A representative of the Hendrick Hudson School District will also be present and perhaps an official of the Village of Buchanan. It is important for you to learn about the economic issues as you address the environmental and safety concerns, as well.

I thank you in advance for this opportunity to meet in the near future and discuss these important issues. Please contact my office at (914) 734-1002.

Sincerely,

Linda D. Puglisi

Town Supervisor

LDP/jp

Cc: Town of Cortlandt Board members

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EXECUTIVE CHAMBER

ALBANY 12224

ANDREW M. CUOMO GOVERNOR

July 29, 2011

Honorable Linda D. Puglisi, Supervisor Town of Cortlandt Office of the Supervisor Town Hall 1 Heady Street Cortlandt Manor, New York 10567

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Dear Honorable Puglisi:

Thank you for requesting to meet with Governor Andrew M. Cuomo.

As you might expect, Governor Cuomo receives a large number of requests for meetings. Unfortunately, he will be unable to accommodate your request for a personal meeting. However, Tom Congdon, Deputy Secretary for Enrgy, is available to meet with you on the Governor's behalf. Please feel free to contact Mr. Congdon at 518-408-2552 to discuss the necessary arrangements for a meeting.

Thank you again for contacting our office.

Sincerely,

Matthew Nelson

Director of Scheduling

Linda Puglisi

From:

Linda Puglisi

Sent:

Tuesday, August 02, 2011 1:15 PM

To:

'larry.schwartz@exec.ny.gov'

Cc:

ann(internet); Frank Farrell; John Sloan; Richard Becker; smurray@villageofbuchanan.com;

administrator@villageofbuchanan.com; 'Daniel.McCann@HENHUDSCHOOLS.ORG'

Subject:

A request to meet with Governor Cuomo to discuss Indian Point

Attachments:

GovernorCuomoltr.pdf; responseGovernorCuomo.pdf; GovernorCuomoltr722.pdf;

responseMatthewNelson729.pdf

Dear Secretary Larry Schwartz,

I have written to Governor Cuomo to request a meeting with him to discuss the serious issues regarding his position of closing Indian Point owned by Entergy.

As you know, this nuclear facility is located in the Town of Cortlandt/Village of Buchanan and there are many economic, safety and environmental issues that need to be discussed with the Governor if this plant is closed, as per his position.

Therefore, myself, the Superintendent and School Board President of Hendrick Hudson School District and the Village of Buchanan Mayor and/or his representative need to meet with Governor Cuomo, as soon as possible, to share with him our concerns.

I am attaching my previous letters to the Governor's office and the responses. I know that you are aware of these issues, having worked in Westchester County government for many years and I am hopeful that you will be able to coordinate a meeting with our group and the Governor within the next month.

Thank you very much and congratulations on your new position in New York State.

Sincerely,

Linda D. Puglisi

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cc: Cortlandt Town Board

Mayor Sean Murray, Village of Buchanan Kevin Hay, Village of Buchanan Administrator Superintendent Dan McCann, Hendrick Hudson School District Marion Walsh, School Board President, Hendrick Hudson School District

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January 9, 2017

The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo Governor of New York State NYS State Capitol Building Albany, NY 12224

Dear Governor Cuomo.

The Town of Cortlandt and the Village of Buchanan are the host municipalities for Entergy's (Indian Point) two operating nuclear reactors (II and III). The first nuclear plant (I) has been closed for over two decades.

I learned on Friday, January 6, 2017 only from a New York Times article entitled "Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant to Close": that these plants will close in 2020 and 2021. As the elected Town Supervisor where this major industry is located Cortlandt and Buchanan should not have heard about this major news from a newspaper article. We should have been notified as a courtesy prior to this public announcement.

Whether the nuclear plants are closed, open or another source of energy takes its place there are many issues that need to be addressed and resolved:

- 1. The economics of this plant:
 - Jobs at least 1,200
 - Contractor's jobs add another 400 to 500 positions
 - Tax revenue to the Town, Village, Hendrick Hudson School District, a local Fire Department (that has these plants in their district), Westchester County and a local library
 - We recently passed PILOTS for long term tax stability
 - Area businesses that depend on the Indian Point workers to sustain their establishments will be impacted
 - The many grants from Entergy sponsoring local events need to be considered
- 2. The environmental issues related to closing two of the 103 nuclear plants in the United States.
 - · Reclamation plans for the property
 - · The wells on site
 - The Hudson River and estuaries nearby during and after the closure process

- 3. The Security of these plants if closed
 - Who will maintain the daily active monitoring of this facility
- 4. The reuse of this facility

In my capacity as the Supervisor of the Town of Cortlandt I would like to request that you form a Blue Ribbon Commission comprised of State officials, County and Local officials and key stakeholders to address all of my key points and others that may be raised.

A similar Commission was established when the General Motors Plant located in Tarrytown closed many years ago. The State (then Governor Mario Cuomo) worked with the County and the local government to plan for the closing and the loss of jobs and tax revenue. Please contact my office at (914) 734-1002.

LDP/jp

Town Supervisor

Cc: Cortlandt Town Board

Jinda D. Puglisi

County Executive Rob Astorino

County Board of Legislators

Mayor Theresa Knickerbocker and trustees

Superintendent Joseph Hochreiter, Hendrick Hudson School District and

School Board

New York State Senator Terrance Murphy

New York State Assemblywoman Sandy Galef

Debra Milone, Hudson Valley Chamber of Commerce Executive Director (attachments)



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Press Release

FOR MORE INFORMATION Linda D. Puglisi, Town of Cortlandt (914) 734-1002, Fax (914) 734-1003 For immediate Release January 13, 2017

> Re: Update to our Community regarding the Closure of Indian Point from Cortlandt Supervisor Linda Puglisi and Hendrick Hudson School District Superintendent Joe Hochreiter

Last Friday (1/6/17) we were all very surprised to learn that Entergy, owners of the Indian Point two nuclear plants located in our community and Governor Andrew Cuomo were announcing these plants would close in the years 2020 and 2021.

Their official announcements occurred on Monday (1/9/17) at separate press conferences. The Superintendent and I attended Entergy's conference that took place in Tarrytown, N.Y. not in Cortlandt. We also attended the County Executive's press conference where we continued expressing our disappointment that we were not told in advance about this announcement of our largest taxpayer in our area. The Entergy CEO just told us that they needed to keep it confidential, not an adequate response to us since we are the main stakeholders.

The Superintendent and I expressed our concerns over:

1) Tax Stabilization:

The school district receives 33% of annual revenue from Indian Point, The Village of Buchanan 46%, the Hendrick Hudson Free Library 28%, a local fire department (Verplanck) 64%, Westchester County 1% and the Town of Cortlandt 2% of our annual revenue for our budget. We are all partners of what's called a P.I.L.O.T. – a ten year payment in lieu of taxes for tax stabilization. This revenue will end once the plants close.

2) Job Losses:

1200 permanent jobs plus part-time jobs and many contractors will lose their positions.

3) Safety and Security Issues:

The radioactive spent fuel rods that will remain in storage on this site – who will be monitoring and securing these rods?

4) Environmental Issues:

The reclamation/clean up of the land including the 33 wells currently on the property, groundwater and Hudson River protection.

5) Further Economic Issues:

Impact to our local small businesses – very important and to our Chamber of Commerce. The employees of Indian Point are consumers for these businesses. Also the reduction of assessment on this property once closed will be a factor for our tax stabilization issues. Future property values are big questions already being asked by property owners and we all have to be concerned about this issue.

6) Re-use of this facility and property?

Therefore, there are many challenges and questions that all of the stakeholders have concerning the closure of Indian Point (two nuclear power plants located in the Village of Buchanan/Town of Cortlandt).

Since the announcement of Indian Point's closure by Entergy and Governor Cuomo, the Superintendent and I along with our other officials the Mayor of Buchanan and state and county officials have called for immediate information and for the formation of a State/Local Commission to address all of these key points, concerns and questions.

Letters/e-mails/phone calls have been made or sent to the Governor and to his office. As of today we still have no answers to these questions, only a pledge from the Governor's Director of Operations that teams will eventually be sent from the State to work with us at the local level. That came about from repeated calls from the Supervisor's office. At least we had a response and we will see what happens to assist is in the near future. We will continue to be vigilant and to inform you on our progress.

Quote from Superintendent Joe Hochreiter:

"I'm encouraged that the Governor has responded to our call to fully participate and work with our community in solving some very complex issues as we move forward without Entergy. I feel very confident that the Governor and his team will work to understand our issues, concerns and strategies regarding how best to move forward so that our students continue to receive a world-class education and Hendrick Hudson remains a destination district."

Ouote from Supervisor Linda Puglisi:

"I agree with Superintendent Hochreiter that we are hopeful that we will receive assistance from the Governor's departments, however in the interim we will continue to work locally to prepare for this major economic loss.



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PRESS NOTICE

FOR MORE INFORMATION Linda D. Puglisi, Town of Cortlandt (914) 734-1002, Fax (914) 734-1003 For Immediate Release January 17, 2017

We will be holding a public forum, which will be taped, open to the media and the public to discuss our challenges with the announcement of the Indian Point nuclear plants closing in 2020 and 2021, announced on January 9, 2017 by Governor Cuomo and Entergy, owners of the nuclear plants.

Public officials that serve our community and all stakeholders receiving revenue from Entergy through a P.I.L.O.T. will be present. Entergy is our largest taxpayer and the economics, as well as, the loss of jobs, the reclamation of the site, the continued storage of the spent fuel rods and therefore the safety and security of this facility once closed must be addressed by the State and by Entergy.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

January 26, 2017 7 p.m. Cortlandt Town Hall Nyberg Meeting Room

Linda Puglisi Town of Cortlandt, Supervisor

Joseph Hochreiter Hendrick Hudson School District, Superintendent

Theresa Knickerbocker Village of Buchanan, Mayor

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Update to our Community regarding the Closure of Indian Point From Supervisor Linda Puglisi (2/8/17)

- 1. As you know, on 1/9/17 Governor Andrew Cuomo and the C.E.O. of Entergy (owner of the Indian Point Nuclear plants) announced the closure of these two operating nuclear plants in the years 2020/2021.
- 2. We were all very surprised since there was no advance notification to the host Village of Buchanan, (where the plants are located), the host Town of Cortlandt nor to the host School District Hendrick Hudson. The closure will also financially affect the Westchester County government, the Hendrick Hudson Free Library and the Verplanck Fire District. All are in the jurisdiction of Indian Point and receive annual revenue which assists in stabilizing taxes for our property owners.
- 3. The challenges we all face are:
 - 1) Tax Stabilization:

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Impact to our local small businesses – very important and to our Chamber of Commerce. The employees of Indian Point are consumers for these businesses. Also the reduction of assessment on this property once closed will be a factor for our tax stabilization issues. Future property values are big questions already being asked by property owners and we all have to be concerned about this issue.

6) Re-use of this facility and property are major issues for our area.

- 4. Over the last several weeks Superintendent Joe Hochreiter, Mayor Theresa Knickerbocker and I along with many other officials who represent our communities hosted a large public forum on 1/26/17 at the Town's Community Center to show our unity in partnering together to meet the challenges we face due to the announced closure of these plants. The forum was well attended and after the officials voiced their support to us, the public asked questions and made important comments. This forum can be viewed on townofcortlandt.com. We thank all of our officials for their support.
- 5. I pledged to set up a community unity task force comprised of the key stakeholders, the Chamber of Commerce, interested residents, realtors, etc. This has been done and our first working task force meeting will be held on 2/16/17 @ 7 P.M. at Cortlandt Town Hall. This task force will continue to meet for years with the goal to develop plans to address the many impacts we face due to these closures. Three and four years go by quickly and we need to plan immediately, which we will do.

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The task force will invite various speakers(from other decommissioned nuclear plant areas), other agencies (NRC, D.O.E., etc.) and perhaps retain a consultant to assist.

All task force meetings are open to the public to listen. The members will be working and planning short term and long term. Minutes will be taken at these task force meetings.

- 6. Petitions have been written and posted on our website to download. Please help us gather many signatures to send to the Governor and to our federal elected officials to assist us with our issues and challenges.
- 7. The Superintendent, the Mayor and I were invited to the Journal News/LoHud editorial board to explain our many concerns and issues. It was well received and can be viewed at their website:

http://www.lohud.com/story/opinion/editorials/2017/01/12/indian-point-closure-coming-but-what-next/96399462/

Also, reporters from many media outlets have interviewed us. It's a good way to get our message out to the State and federal officials that we need their assistance.

- 8. I have spoken to a civic not-for-profit organization in Vermont regarding the closure of Entergy's nuclear plant, Yankee, in their State, This group will be attending an upcoming task force meeting so we can learn from their experiences.
- 9. I also am calling other communities, such as, Sleepy Hollow to see how they dealt with major taxpayers shutting down. The GM plant closed in 1996 and Sleepy Hollow had to plan for the loss of tax revenues, just like we will in Buchanan/Cortlandt/Hendrick Hudson School District. They could be one of our speakers to our group, as well.

- 10. I wrote a press release regarding the Governor's announcement of \$7.6 billion for upstate New York to keep two nuclear plants operating (see attached)
- 11. All of our elected officials including our Governor and U.S. officials have received letters, e-mails and calls from us telling them we need to plan NOW and we need their assistance.
- 12. The reuse of the 240 acres (current Indian Point property) is already being evaluated so we can have future rateables and jobs.
- 13. A newly established citizen group "Cortlandt Power Through" has been organized and they have begun their effort to assist our school district and communities. We are working with them and applaud them for their efforts and work. A representative from this group will be on the Community Unity Task Force.
- 14. Finally, NY State officials from the Governor's office including the Public Service Department will be coming down to speak to our key stakeholders so that we can ask them our questions and find out what the State can and will do for our community. That meeting will take place within the next several days.

We will continue to update the community on our collective efforts on the closure of Indian Point (2020/2021). Go to our various websites and Facebook page.

Thank you. Linda Puglisi

Update to our Community regarding the Closure of Indian Point in 2020/21 (as announced by Entergy and the NYS Governor on January 9, 2017) February 24, 2017

 Our first Community Task Force meeting comprised of local elected officials, Hendrick Hudson School District officials, the Chamber of Commerce, a Westchester County government representative, local realtors, a citizen group representative, Hendrick Hudson Free Library officials, Verplanck Fire District official, etc. took place on Thursday, February 16, 2017 at Cortlandt's Town Hall. The meeting was open for the public to observe. The purpose is for the task force representing a cross-section of the community to collectively work together to plan for the closure of our major taxpayer and employer, Indian Point, in 2020/2021.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2017, 7 pm at Town Hall. This group will meet at least once a month for months and perhaps years to come to address all issues related to the closures.

Various speakers will be featured at each meeting related to these challenges facing our community.

- 2. On Tuesday, February 28, 2017 I along with the other key officials from the Village of Buchanan (Mayor) and Hendrick Hudson School District (Superintendent) will be going to Albany to testify at a public hearing of the joint Assembly and Senate Energy Committee to state our many concerns, issues and challenges facing our community with the upcoming closure of Indian Point. These issues include: loss of tax revenue a total of \$33 million dollars per year for all parties involved in the P.I.L.O.T. (Town of Cortlandt, Village of Buchanan, Hendrick Hudson School District, Westchester County, Hendrick Hudson Free Library, Verplanck Fire District) loss of many jobs, impact to local businesses, security and safety issues once closed due to the ongoing storage of the spent fuel rods and other issues, as well.
- 3. On Thursday, March 2nd at 6:30 pm at Local 21 Union Hall, 1024 McKinley Street, I will be attending New York State Senator Terrence Murphy's Public hearing regarding the same topic, the closure of Indian Point in 2020/2021.

4. On Friday, February 17, 2017 a group of NY State representatives from the Governor's administration came down to our Cortlandt Town Hall to meet with me, the Village of Buchanan Mayor, the Hendrick Hudson School District Superintendent and various local staff advisors. The purpose was for us to ask them our questions about what the State could do to assist us with the announcement of the closure of Indian point.

These officials from the Department of PSC and Counsel's for the State and Deputy Secretary for Environment, as well as a representative from the State Education Department spoke with us for over two hours and pledged to return periodically to further this important dialogue. The State provided the background and reasons for their Indian Point concerns over the years and for the settlement reached between the Governor (NYS) and Entergy for closure. They also told us that there has been planning for replacement of the power lost once Indian Point closes. More details on this subject will be forthcoming in the near future, they told us.

This State team assured us that on behalf of the Governor that they are committed to working with the local taxing jurisdictions and on trying to mitigate tax impacts to our community and therefore to our taxpayers.

They and we agreed that the time to plan is **NOW** because three and four years go by quickly.

My colleagues and I asked many questions about the reuse of the property (240 acres) the decommissioning process, about funding to assist local areas that lose a major industry such as Indian Point, job retraining, working with the State's Economic Development Department and about the safety and environmental issues surrounding these plants including the storage of the spent fuel rods and many other questions. These were the major topics.

Obviously, all of our questions could not be answered at one meeting with these State officials, but we are pleased that they did spend time with us last week. They listened to our concerns and pledged to keep the dialogue and work going for and with us. As always, I will continue to give updated reports to our task force and community.

Linda Puglisi Supervisor

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Indian Point – 2 Nuclear Plants Closures in 2020/2021

Issues and Challenges

 An annual loss of \$32 million dollars for those municipalities and other entities of the Indian Point area.

Village of Buchanan \$ 3.5 million – 47% of annual budget Town of Cortlandt \$ 1 million – 2% of budget

Hendrick Hudson School District \$ 23 million – 1/3 of budget Westchester County \$ 4 million – 1% of budget

Hendrick Hudson Free Library \$ 394,110 – 28% of budget Verplanck Fire District \$ 372,703 – 64% of budget

2) Loss of jobs:

Permanent - Approximately 1100 (+ part-time workers and contractors)

- 3) Decommissioning of the plants and grounds (240 acres) according to the NRC the company is given up to 60 years to clean-up the site. Therefore, reuse of the site becomes a factor.
- 4) The storage of the radioactive spent fuel rods to remain at this Indian Point location since there is no other place in the nation at this time to move them.
- 5) The reclamation of environmental issues on the site including the numerous wells (approximately 33)
- 6) Impact to local businesses due to Indian Point closures (i.e. delis, restaurants, hotels, gas stations and various other stores and businesses)
- 7) RE-USE of the 240 acres to bring in ratables to offset the loss of tax revenue.

- Cortlandt Supervisor Linda Puglisi

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PRESS NOTICE

FOR MORE INFORMATION Linda D. Puglisi, Town of Cortlandt (914) 734-1002, Fax (914) 734-1003 For Immediate Release April 7, 2017

Re: A separate fund to offset loss of revenue from Indian Point in 2020/2021

The Town Board and I have developed a fund beginning in 2017 to offset the Town's loss of \$900,000 each year in revenue once Indian Point's two nuclear reactors close in 2020/2021.

\$100,000. each year will be placed in a separate reserve account. The monies will come from our annual fund balance/surplus.

This has been voted on by the Town Board and I and will help stabilize the revenues from our largest taxpayer in four years and into the future.

Entergy, owners of Indian Point had signed in good faith a PILOT agreement in 2014 for the next ten-years. We did not know at that time the plants would be closed during this period. In January of 2017 Entergy, along with the New York State Governor announced that these nuclear plants located in the Village of Buchanan/Town of Cortlandt will be closing in four years.

Town Supervisor

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Gregg C. Sayre, Interim Chief Executive Officer

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Indian Point Closure Task Force to Meet

— Task Force Will Work with Local Governments to Address Employment and Property Tax Impacts; Monitor Compliance with Closure Agreement —

ALBANY — The New York State Department of Public Service (Department) today announced the first meeting of the Indian Point Closure Task Force will be held on Wednesday, May 31, 2017 at the Cortlandt Town Hall, Cortlandt, New York at 7:00 PM. The purpose of the initial task force meeting will be to discuss the scope and goals of the Task Force, and will include presentations on key issues related to the planned closure of Indian Point.

On Feb. 28, 2017, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced the creation of a task force to provide guidance and support to the communities, taxing jurisdictions, and employees affected by the planned closure of Indian Point. The Task Force was charged with developing recommendations to mitigate local tax and workforce impacts, evaluating and identifying new economic opportunities and work force retraining programs and opportunities, advocating for appropriate decommissioning timelines in the best interests of local communities, and ultimately positioning the region for a prosperous and sustainable future. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

The State has extensively and proactively planned for the eventual closure of Indian Point by making sure more than enough replacement power is available to ensure reliability, mitigate electricity price impacts and achieve environmental objectives. Already, 730 megawatts of transmission improvements and energy efficiency are in-service via the Commission's Indian Point Contingency Plan, and more generation resources are slated to come online in the near future.

The meeting will be held as follows:

Wednesday, May 31, 2017
Cortlandt Town Hall
1 Heady St.,
Cortlandt, NY 10567
7:00 PM

Task Force Members include:

<u>State Representatives:</u> Senator Terrence Murphy; Assemblywoman Sandy Galef; and several state agencies, including the Office of the Governor; Education Representatives; Department of Public Service; Department of Environmental Conservation; Department of Labor; Department of Tax and Finance; Empire State Development; New York State Energy Research & Development Authority; Department of State; New York State Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services; and the New York Power Authority.

<u>Local Representatives:</u> Catherine Borgia, Majority Leader, Westchester County Board of Legislators; John G. Testa, Minority Leader, Westchester County Board of Legislators; Linda D. Puglisi, Supervisor, Town of Cortlandt; Joseph Hochreiter, Superintendent, Hendrick Hudson School District; and Theresa Knickerbocker, Mayor, Village of Buchanan.

<u>Labor Representatives:</u> Teamsters Local 456; Utility Workers Union of America Local 1-2; and Westchester Putnam Central Labor Council.

Any related documents filed in the above matter may be obtained by going to the Department's website at www.dps.ny.gov and entering matter number 17-00994 in the input box labeled "Search for Case/Matter Number". Many libraries offer free Internet access. Documents may also be obtained from the Department's Files Office, 14th floor, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223 (518-474-2500). If you have difficulty understanding English, please call us at 1-800-342-3377 for free language assistance services regarding this press release.



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Upcoming September Indian Point Task Force Meetings

- The Community Unity Task Force Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 7, 2017, 7 pm. in the Vincent Nyberg General Meeting Room at Cortlandt Town Hall. This Task Force is comprised of the Hendrick Hudson School Superintendent, Village of Buchanan Mayor and Deputy Mayor, our County Legislators and Assemblywoman, the Chamber of Commerce Director, the Hendrick Hudson Library Director, local realtors, business owners, union officials and residents. Supervisor Linda Puglisi will co-chair and Councilman Richard Becker is a member, as well. Information on past meetings can be found at www.townofcortlandt.com.
- 2. The New York State Indian Point Closure Task Force Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 28, 2017, 7 pm. in the Vincent Nyberg General Meeting Room at Cortlandt Town Hall. These Task Force members include State, Local and Labor Representatives. Mr. Tom Congdon, Executive Deputy, Department of Public Service will chair this meeting. Any related documents filed may be obtained by going to the Department's website at www.dps.ny.gov and entering matter number 17-00994 in the input box labeled "Search for Case/Matter Number". Documents may also be obtained from the Department's Files Office, 14th floor, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223 (518 474-2500).

All meetings are open for the public to observe

Town Supervisor

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Indian Point Closure 2020/2021

NEXT STEPS and PLAN

~ By Supervisor Linda Puglisi ~

- 1. The Town of Cortlandt will retain an Economic Development Consultant to work with Town staff and Supervisor to: Review possible locations for new economic growth throughout the town that will offset loss of revenue when the Indian Point's two nuclear plants close (2020/2021)
- 2. Work with the New York State Empire Development Agency to also assist with new commercial/corporate/industrial growth and assist with finding us grants for future infrastructure for this development.
- 3. To continue working with the local and New York State task forces. We have defined our challenges since the announcement in January 2017 (loss of revenue \$32 million in total, loss of jobs up to 2,000. including contractor jobs) radioactive spent fuel rods storage, environmental clean-up, decommissioning of the plants and re-use of the 240 acres.
- 4. New York State is retaining a consultant through NYSERDA to address all of the above issues and file a report by April 2018. We will be working with the State and their consultant that will be announced at the State task force meeting on September 28, 2017 at Cortlandt Town Hall.
- 5. Implementation of all consultant's recommendations.
- 6. Lobby Entergy for a new PILOT for tax stabilization once the plants close since they will still own the structures, the rods and the land.
- 7. Lobby New York State and the Federal Government for assistance for those losing their jobs once Indian Point closes and to insist on retraining.
- 8. Once decommissioning begins insist that the many local skilled workers currently at Indian Point be hired for this process.
- 9. Work to have the dry cask storage units (of the radioactive spent fuel rods) be allowed to be assessed and taxed by the town for additional revenue.

- 10. Request that the Town be allowed to utilize funds set aside by Entergy and/or New York State for economic and infrastructure needs to offset the closure of our largest taxpayer and employer, Entergy (Indian Point).
- 11. Continue to speak with other communities going through a similar situation of having a nuclear plant close or have had nuclear plants closed in past years. This communication is helpful inorder to let us know what occurs during a decommissioning process.
- 12. Continue to speak with the NRC, DOE and federal public officials to seek their assistance and to receive important information on the closure process. (The NRC will be present at our October 19, 2017 local task force meeting.

"We will continue to work with our partners in the Hendrick Hudson School District, Village of Buchanan and all others in the community to address these challenges we face with the closure of Indian Point."

Linda D. Puglisi
Supervisor

(Sept. 2017)