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2017-098

**A Resolution Supporting a Public Hearing on Public Safety and Evacuation Plans  
Relative to Seabrook Nuclear Station**

**Be it Resolved by the City Council of the City of Amesbury assembled and by the  
authority of the same as follow:**

That the City Council approve, sign, and send the enclosed letters requesting a public hearing on the safety and evacuation plan for the area within a ten-mile radius of Seabrook Nuclear Station to relevant licensing and regulatory authorities.

The City Council shall authorize the Clerk to notify and invite representatives of state and local emergency management agencies, the State Police, and members of local police, fire, and emergency services as well as the general public to attend.

**Addressees:**

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Addressee Block:

Salutation:

In the interest of public safety, we are respectfully requesting that you call a public hearing to present, discuss and solicit feedback on the public safety and evacuation plan of the NextEra Power Plant located in Seabrook, New Hampshire known as "Seabrook Station".

Amesbury is one of several coastal communities including Salisbury and Newburyport that are within the ten-mile radius of the nuclear power plan. According to the 2010 U.S. Census the population within this ten-mile radius is at least 118,000 year-round residents. Our city of Amesbury is currently estimated at a population of at least 17,000.

During peak summer months, this population swells as vacationers and tourists flock to the region to enjoy the shore communities of Massachusetts, New Hampshire and southern Maine.

While there is an evacuation plan in place for the plant and Amesbury Emergency Management Agency has its own hazard mitigation plan, we are concerned about whether and how the evacuation plan has kept pace with population growth and increased traffic congestion. We are particularly concerned with the evacuation plans of vulnerable populations in area schools, nursing homes, and hospitals.

We are also calling for this public hearing to include first responders who can comment on the plan based on their perspective and professional training.

We believe that a public hearing on the safety and evacuation plan will, at the very least, explain to the public how the plan is designed to work in hopes that this dialogue will reduce the concern that persists amount our residents.

We look forward to your response.

On behalf of Amesbury City Council.

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