**The Susquehanna River Basin Commission Confirms The Owner of TMI-2 Has No Water To Clean Up Damaged Reactor;**

**Site of Nation’s Worst Accident May Be Mothballed Until 2079**

     The Susquehanna River Basin Commission (“SRBC”) confirmed that the owner of the site of America’s worst accident, TMI-2 Solutions, has no access, contract or water infrastructure to clean up the highly radioactive reactor. The cleanup of Three Mile Island may be delayed after Three Mile Island Unit-1 (“TMI-1) is decommissioned in 2079.

      The information was provided to Eric Epstein, an Intervener at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, on March 3, 2022, or less than 48 hours after the Atomic Safety & Licensing allowed TMI-2 Solutions to proceed with the TMI-2 cleanup. The NRC ruled - through the Atomic Safety & Licensing Board on March 1, 2023 “...to (1) deny Mr. Epstein’s petition to intervene; (2) deny Mr. Epstein’s motion to file new contentions” relating to water use problems at Three Mile Island.

On March 3, 2023, in response to an information request from Mr. Epstein on February 28, 2023, the SRBC confirmed Mr. Epstein’s contentions:

1) TMI-2 has no access, contract or water infrastructure;

2) There is no contract between Constellation (“TMI-1”) and TMI-2 Solutions (“TMI-2”) to convey water; and,

3) TMI-2 Solutions will not be able to access water for the TMI-2 cleanup until **after** TMI-1’s decommissioning is completed in **2079.**

The full letter is enclosed.

Mr. Epstein, said, “This is a money grab by a company that has no plan for the storage of highly radioactive waste from the damaged reactor, and is rushing to drain the $1 billion cleanup fund. The NRC and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania should take a second look to ensure that the Company’s ill conceived proposal does not cause further damage to the community.”

TMI-2 Solutions misrepresented to the NRC that it had water use contracts with Constellation, which owns Three Mile Island Uni1 (“TMI-1”).  The NRC authorized the start of the cleanup in the face of NRC Staff’s admissions that it had not completed evaluations of the spent fuel mass, and has no information about the supply of water for the clean up.

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