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Mr. Rosenthal:

My name is Lawrence E. Soehnel (jr.) and I am a resident of Rockland County. I am writing you with suggestions for topics to include in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) on United Water NY's proposed Haverstraw Water Supply Project. It is my opinion that the DIES must include data regarding:

1) The impacts of all radioactive materials in the drinking water supply over time on human bodies of all variations as well as the non-human natural environment in the area served by the proposed project.

Questions that come to mind on this topic include, but are not limited to: Will the effects of trace radiation accumulate in our bodies over years? Will different radioactive materials have the potential to affect us in different ways? What are these ways? Will it affect our pets or other local fauna differently from ourselves? How will it affect lawns as they are watered?

2) The impacts of all radioactive materials in the drinking water supply over time on the built environment.

Questions that come to mind on this topic include but are not limited to: Will the trace radiation affect our water delivery infrastructure, domestic plumbing, and sewage systems? Will radioactive exposure cause contamination that would persist even if the source of radiation was eliminated?

3) The state of scientific consensus regarding the affects of the specific radioactive materials measured in the Hudson River.

Questions that come to mind on this topic include but are not limited to: What are all of the radioactive materials that have been measured in the Hudson? Do scientists agree as to their effects? How is this agreement ascertained? Are there significant dissenting opinions? Is there broad disagreement on the effects of any or all radioactive materials measured?

Finally, I'd like to request a 30 day extension to the deadline for submitting scoping questions. It has come to my attention that members of the population who would be served by the proposed project feel that more time to formulate questions is necessary.

Thank you very much for your time, and I look forward to reading the final DEIS.

yours truly,
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