

## **CUOMO: POWER BROKER FOR CAMPAIGN DONORS**

### **CUOMO IS DETERMINED TO CLOSE INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR PLANT DESPITE THE ECONOMIC BENEFIT IT PROVIDES TO NEW YORK:**

**Gov. Andrew Cuomo Is Determined To Close The Indian Point Nuclear Plant.** “One of Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo’s top advisers met with the operators of the Indian Point nuclear plant last week and told them that the governor was determined to close the plant.” (Danny Hakim, “Cuomo Takes Tough Stance On Nuclear Reactors,” [The New York Times](#), 6/28/11)

**Indian Point Employs Over 2,000 People With An Annual Payroll Of \$137 Million.** “For more than half a century Indian Point has been a prime employer in the region, providing work to nearly 1,000 contractors and 1,100 salaried workers each year, said Jerry Nappi, a spokesperson for the plant. Nappi estimated that the plant’s total annual payroll is \$137 million, putting the average yearly income for employees at roughly \$125,000.” (Alice Kenny, “Possible Indian Point Nuke Shutdown Heightens Economic Fears,” [Inside Climate News](#), 7/11/11)

**The Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant Provides \$75 Million In Revenue To Local And State Governments.** “Government officials have relied on the approximately \$75 million in property taxes, fees and revenue-sharing that Indian Point — now owned by Entergy Nuclear — pays to state, county and local governments.” (Alice Kenny, “Possible Indian Point Nuke Shutdown Heightens Economic Fears,” [Inside Climate News](#), 7/11/11)

- **Indian Point Provides One Quarter Of All The Taxes Collected By The Local School District.** “The utility contributes nearly \$18 million, or approximately one quarter, of all the taxes collected by the local Hendrick Hudson School District.” (Alice Kenny, “Possible Indian Point Nuke Shutdown Heightens Economic Fears,” [Inside Climate News](#), 7/11/11)

**Indian Point Provides One Quarter Of The Power In New York City And Westchester And “Would Take Years” To Replace.** “Replacing the plant would take years and require a long-term energy strategy. The plant produces 2,000 megawatts and provides 25 percent of the power in New York City and Westchester.” (Danny Hakim, “Cuomo Takes Tough Stance On Nuclear Reactors,” [The New York Times](#), 6/28/11)

### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST—Cuomo’s Top Donors Are Special Interest Groups Opposed To Nuclear Power And Entities That Would Benefit Financially From Closing Indian Point:**

**In 2010, Competitive Power Ventures Donated At Least \$75,000 To Cuomo’s Gubernatorial Campaign.** (New York State Board Of Elections, [Campaign Financial Disclosure](#), Accessed 2/3/12)

**In 2010, Nixon Peabody Donated At Least \$55,588 To Cuomo’s Gubernatorial Campaign.** (New York State Board Of Elections, [Campaign Financial Disclosure](#), Accessed 2/3/12)

**In October 2010, Competitive Power Ventures Filed A Petition With The State Of New York To Build A 630-Megawatt Natural Gas Power Plant In Wawayanda, NY.** “CPV Valley is proposing to construct the CPV Valley Energy Center, a natural gas, combined- cycle generating facility with a nominal rating of 630MW2 (‘Project’). ... The Project will be confined to a 22 acre area of a 122 acre private piece of land in the Town of Wawayanda, NY.” ([State of New York, Petition Of CPV Valley, LLC For An Order Granting A Certificate Of Public Convenience And Necessity Pursuant To Section 68 Of The Public Service Law, Approving Financing Pursuant To Section 69 Of The Public Service Law And Approving A Lightened Regulatory Regime, 10/12/10](#))

- **Nixon Peabody Represented Competitive Power Ventures In Trying To Obtain Permission To Build Its Power Plant.** ([State of New York, Petition Of CPV Valley, LLC For An Order Granting A Certificate Of Public Convenience And Necessity Pursuant To Section 68 Of The Public Service Law, Approving Financing Pursuant To Section 69 Of The Public Service Law And Approving A Lightened Regulatory Regime, 10/12/10](#))

**During The 2010 Cycle, Dan Tishman Contributed At Least \$50,000 To Cuomo.** ([New York State Board Of Elections, Campaign Financial Disclosure, Accessed 2/3/12](#))

- **During The 2010 Cycle, Tishman’s Wife Sheryl Contributed At Least \$37,200 To Cuomo.** ([New York State Board Of Elections, Campaign Financial Disclosure, Accessed 2/3/12](#))
- **During The 2010 Cycle, Tishman’s Father John Contributed At Least \$25,000 To Cuomo.** ([New York State Board Of Elections, Campaign Financial Disclosure, Accessed 2/3/12](#))

**Dan Tishman Is The Current Chair Of The National Resources Defense Council.** ([National Resource Defense Council, Accessed 2/3/12](#))

**During The 2010 Cycle, Stephen Garofalo Contributed At Least \$50,000 To Cuomo.** ([New York State Board Of Elections, Campaign Financial Disclosure, Accessed 2/3/12](#))

**Garofalo’s Commercial Real Estate Firm, Millbrook Ventures Is Developing A 670-Acre Piece Of Land In Amenia, N.Y.** ([Millbrook Ventures, Accessed 2/3/12](#))