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STATEMENT FROM SENATOR PATTY RITCHIE ON FITZPATRICK NUCLEAR PLANT

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To say that the news concerning FitzPatrick is disappointing is a serious understatement. FitzPatrick is a major employer and the effect of Entergy's decision will be felt by hundreds of hardworking employees and their families, as well as taxpayers, small businesses and communities across Oswego County and Central New York.

That's why I joined with the region's other representatives to show our support for the plant, the workers and the impacted communities. Notwithstanding today's announcement, I am urging the company and the state to continue discussions aimed at finding a way to reverse this decision.

FitzPatrick is simply too important to New York's energy security, as well as the financial security of so many families, to leave this decision unchallenged, and it is my hope that working together, we can find a way to continue the plant's operation and protect these jobs and the future of these communities.