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Dear Mr. Powell,

I am in completely shocked, and dismayed to learn that radioactive metals and other materials from the maintenance and decommissioning of nuclear power and weapons factories are being cleared for free release into the marketplace. I am appalled that the generators of this waste hope to save or make money selling radioactive materials to commerce. I would like call on the United States President, Vice President, Congress and all federal, state and international regulators and legislative bodies to recapture, stop, and prevent release/clearance/recycling of radioactive wastes and materials into consumer products and the environment.

I support regulation and isolation of radioactive wastes from nuclear power and weapons. I oppose the use of radioactive materials and wastes in consumer products and building materials including but not limited to metals, concrete, plastics, glass, paper, wood, soil, and equipment.

I call on the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission to reverse its efforts and expenditures to release radioactive wastes and to initiate a policy requiring regulatory control and isolation of all radioactive wastes. I demand the recapture and recall of radioactive materials and wastes that have been released into the marketplace.

I call on the US Department of Energy to halt all releases of radioactive wastes and materials into the marketplace, to recapture that which has been released and to revoke the radioactive Recycle 2000 policy immediately.

Recycling radioactive metals is not an option, we must cease the production of them. I would like call on the United States President, Vice President, Congress and all federal, state and international regulators and legislative bodies to research, promote, and apply alternative sources of energy to eliminate the need and generation of radioactive metals. Green alternative energy sources such as tidal, wind, solar, and fuel cell technology can provide energy for a vast majority of the U.S, while lowering our dependence on polluting and harmful forms of energy production such as nuclear power.

I would like to solicit from you an answer as to: why I need be concerned with radioactive consumer products, and how such practices have gone on in secrecy from the general public until recently?

Sincerely,


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