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It has come to my attention that the Nuclear
Regulatory Commission is possibly compromising the
security of our nations future by making way for
further build up of nuclear waste that will
theoretically be safe in so many thousands of years.
I am opposed to any extensions on operating licenses
for nuclear facilities of any sort and wish for a move
to cleaner renewable energy.

Thank you.
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The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has already relaxed
and is further
relaxing its decommissioning requirements for nuclear
power reactors.
NRC is justifying these regulatory changes by
"supplementing" the 1988
Generic Environmental Impact Statement on
Decommissioning Nuclear
Facilities (NUREG-0586) with new, "updated"
information on nuclear
power
reactor decommissioning. If NRC succeeds, many key
issues that local
communities face as reactors close and owners leave
(liability-free)
will be unchallengeable, because they are being listed
as "generic"
issues. "Generic" decommissioning issues are ones that
NRC determines
apply to numerous reactors and which are supposedly
being resolved with
this Supplement to the Generic Environmental Impact
Statement. "Site
specific" issues are ones that can still be raised in
local
communities,
but the opportunities to address even site-specific
issues is being
curtailed dramatically. NIRS supports the designation

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of environmental
justice and endangered species issues as site-specific
(not generic).
NIRS opposes Rubblization but supports its designation
as
site-specific.

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