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Dear Secretary, Rulemaking and Adjudications Staff,

I would like to comment on the upcoming decision on the uses and disposition of nuclear waste. In the interest of public safety and in accordance with the mandate of the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to insure public safety through regulation of the nuclear energy industry, I would like to see the following:

- 1) The NRC should report on and recapture all the nuclear wastes that have already been deregulated over the years. I know that claims have been made that no harm has come from it, but I would like to see these claims proven with solid, independent scientific studies.
- 2) The NRC should focus the rulemaking on better ISOLATING nuclear waste from the public and the environment rather than dispersing it deliberately.
- 3) The NRC should PROHIBIT RELEASE of radioactive wastes and materials from nuclear power and weapons into the marketplace for unrestricted or conditional uses.
- 4) The NRC should prevent additional radiation exposures rather than "justifying" them with computer codes and dose modeling created by nuclear advocates. I oppose "dose-based" or "risk-based" standards.
- 5) The NRC should set standards that NO dose of ionizing radiation above naturally occurring background and voluntary exposures is acceptable. I believe there is no safe dose of ionizing radiation.
- 6) The NRC should set standards to force the nuclear industry to stop poisoning us and the recycling industries with ANY level of radioactive contamination from nuclear power and weapons fuel chain activities.

The NRC should be the government watchdog protecting the public from the nuclear industry. Please do not sell out the safety and future of the American people for the profits of a few.

Sincerely,

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