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Dear NRC,

I would like to encourage everyone at the NRC to think for a very long time before releasing any "slightly" radioactive material into the general scrap metal recycling stream. This act would be similar to letting the proverbial "genie" out of the bottle and it would be very hard to undo this kind of action. Once the material is released, there would be no way to clean up the mess later. Since there is no "safe" level for radioactivity, this material should be contained and isolated. Future generations would curse us if we poisoned the planet with radioactivity. Think of it this way: Would you want your child to sleep in a bed if the bedframe was "slightly" radioactive? If you were confined to a wheelchair, would you prefer one that was "slightly" radioactive or had no radioactivity? Would you like to work all day in a building that was built with steel girders that were "slightly" radioactive? You have taken an oath to perform your duties at the commission. Now is the time to remember that oath and protect the people of the world from further contamination from radiation. Thanks for reading this.

Sincerely,

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