

Dear Secretary,

I don't want to buy a geiger counter. I don't want to carry it with me every time I shop for products that contain metal. I don't want to worry about my family and friends unknowingly coming into contact with radioactive waste. I don't want it in the environment. In my wildest imagination, I can't think of anyone who would disagree with me on this issue. Not even you.

It is the NRC's responsibility and mission to prevent the release of radioactive waste into the environment (defined in the very broadest sense) and hence to protect the environment and all creatures that inhabit it from radiation. There is, in fact, no 'acceptable' dose of radiation; a large body of research, including the work of such scientists as Karl Grossman, Jon Goffman, Rosalie Bertell, Ernest Sternglass and Helen Caldicott, provides overwhelming evidence of this fact.

The only acceptable choice for the NRC to make during this rulemaking process is to STRICTLY PROHIBIT the deregulation of materials containing or contaminated with radiation and REQUIRE the disposal of these materials ONLY in secure, licensed facilities designed to isolate them.

Under absolutely NO conditions should nuclear waste be deregulated, dumped in unlicensed facilities or allowed to be "recycled" into general commerce. I urge you to protect all of us (and future generations) from a potential catastrophe of enormous proportions.

Sincerely,

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