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Re: recycled nuclear waste into consumer products

Dear NRC Secretary:

Kindly be advised that recycling nuclear waste materials into consumer products is contradictory to protecting human health and the environment. Unbiased science indicates there is no dose low enough to avoid DNA damage.

Cancer is at epidemic proportions and climbing. Additional public exposure to so-called "low-dose" recycled materials will substantially increase cancer risk.

The only beneficiaries to recycling nuclear waste into consumer goods will be the manufacturers. Our children and their children should not bear the consequences of this dangerous plan.

We urge you to -

- focus rulemaking on better ISOLATING nuclear waste from the public and environment rather than deliberate dispersal
- PROHIBIT RELEASE of radioactive waste and materials from nuclear power and other facilities

Thank you in advance for upholding the public trust intrinsic with your position and for keeping public health the greatest priority over industry profits.

Yours truly,

Rose Marie Williams, MA, pres.
Helena Baldyga, VP

cc: Senators Schumer, Clinton, and Congressman Hinchey (NY)