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Dear Sirs:

Please see our comments on NRC reassessment
of "low-level" radioactive waste.

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COMMENTS

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The Coalition for Health Concern, Inc. is a nonprofit environmental advocacy organization founded in 1985, whose membership shares an interest in the protection and conservation of the natural resources of Kentucky. Clean water, clean air, and safe healthy communities which promotes a healthy economy is our focus and objectives.

The US NRC is responsible primarily to the citizens of the United States to protect their health and the long term quality of the land from contamination by radioactive

products. To this day the "cradle to the grave" disposal of radioactive waste under the management of NRC, the DOE, and the contractors has been a farce, and an exercise in devious manipulation. The result is widespread contamination of the land

offsite of DOE manufacturing facilities, with the contamination of food products used for human consumption. Those contaminants include plutonium, uranium, neptunium, TC-99, and other radionuclides in garden vegetables in detectable amounts dangerous for consumption by humans or animals. This includes farm crops of soybeans, tobacco, and corn. The result is a region listed as a radioactive

"hot spot" by cancer researchers nationally. In addition, the population suffers from

abnormal levels of lupus and diabetes. The largest industry for employment is the HEALTH INDUSTRY according to the local media.

This Coalition demands that NRC reclassify as higher-level, all radioactive waste that is hazardous longer than the 100 year control period designated for "low-level radioactive waste".

In our opinion, it is unconscionable to the point of criminality for NRC to support

and propose to send radioactive waste to garbage landfills and release radioactive waste into the ditches, creeks, and rivers as is occurring now and for past years. SHAME!