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Dear Secretary,

Nothing in the NRC's Draft NUREG-2157 changes these realities. Not only is there no long-term solution for atomic waste in hand or on the horizon, the shorter-term programs now in place are inadequate from a public safety standpoint.

The NRC is surely the only regulatory body in the world that would argue that indefinite—essentially permanent—storage of high-level radioactive waste in fuel pools and dry casks provides “confidence” that this waste will never cause a threat to public health and safety.

The NRC's draft document ultimately relies on the low probability of an accident to justify its position that reactor licensing and re-licensing may resume. Didn't you learn anything from Fukushima, Chernobyl, Bhopal and Love Canal?

Ending radioactive waste generation is the single most important step we can take to minimize the risks surrounding its storage.

We want to greatly decrease the use of oil and gas. If nuclear power were not an alternative option, our country would speed up the use of renewable energy, like solar and wind. Stop licensing nuclear facilities that make us all unsafe.

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