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General Comment

In 1977 my first child was born. At about that same time I began reading about nuclear power plants and nuclear energy in particular. I was horrified then. Particularly about the spent fuel and how or where it was ever going to be safely stored. But I read that even though the technology hadn't been invented then to take care of the waste, research was ongoing and scientists were sure to develop a solution soon. Then Three Mile Island happened in 1979, I believe. I began reading and writing letters about the insanity of nuclear power. I read many of Dr. Caldicott's articles. She became one of my heroes. Along with Louis Leakey and Jane Goodall. I heard Dr. Leakey speak at the University of Colorado in 1972. He said he was only speaking to college audiences any more because the way he saw it was that the future of mankind was solely in our hands. What we did with protecting and caring for our earth would mean either man and other life forms lived or we very likely would see the end of the human species. Well, nothing has been developed to store this waste safely and it appears there can never be a safe answer. Out of sight does not mean out of mind for most of us who are aware of where this deadly waste is being kept until an earthquake or some other natural or man made event damages the storage facility, as it 100% will. Right now the only answer for the cooling water at Fukushima is dumping it in the ocean. We may not see it, but it's going to affect all marine life in the pacific as water is to marine life as the air is to man. Horrible, horrible, horrible. I believe every single nuclear power plant needs to be immediately shut down.