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General Comment

For more than 60 years the nuclear industry has been producing nuclear waste. During the last 60 years this same industry has not come up with long-term solutions that are protective of human health and the environment for as long as the waste remains hazardous. The primary reason industry has not created permanent protective solutions for radioactive waste is because the US Government has not forced the industry to create solutions to deal with this deadly waste.

The NRC has an opportunity to end the 60 years of procrastination by demanding that industry store this waste, treat this waste so that is it protective to human health and the environment for as long as the waste remains hazardous. The cost for creating these solutions for waste disposal is the sole responsibility of the producer. To allow any reactor in the US to store this waste in fuel pools is irresponsible and reckless and now is the time to force industry to deal with the waste permanently.