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Comment:

Thirty years ago I was working in the Records Department at Battelle Memorial Institute. We made copies of reports from universities from all over the United States. The records were of studies made to try to find a place to store nuclear waste.

At that time, the agency called the Office of Nuclear Isolation, was looking for places such as former salt mines or mountains which are stable as a place to store the wastes. It was thought that having the wastes, which take ages to deplete to harmless state, located in places where they would be relatively harmless.

I cannot believe that what was the case then is now considered unimportant, that is that it is all right to have containers of radioactive material left on site where it is vulnerable to weather, fire, or terrorism. or earthquakes

These wastes should not be stored near our lakes, rivers, or oceans where they can contaminate our water.

If, as is rumored, public comments will not be permitted after the NRC decision is made, I would consider that a denial of my First Amendment rights.