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General Comment

I lend full support to this petition. The LNT model is not only unconfirmed but by its very nature can never be confirmed. This pseudo-scientific claim is crippling our industry from behind a veil, falsely claiming to be in the best interest of the people. This idea, and the ridiculous limits put on workers and members of the public as a result of it, generates a massive amount of unwarranted fear and worse that fear is used to prey on the under-educated. Regulations that are too restrictive create a perverse incentive not to follow them which creates an unsafe work environment. Everyone seems to focus on the 'L' in ALARA and completely misses the 'R'. To me and many others who work in Nuclear science and technology ALARA means that taking a dose on the order of 1-10R is totally acceptable if it results in the advancement of science or society in general. As a final point, basic lab safety is constantly cast aside for the fear of radiation where it is far more likely that someone will fall and hit there head fatally than receive a fatal radiation dose.