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To the Commissioners:

Do NOT approve Holtec canisters for use as dry cask storage anywhere in the United States. From my research, I've learned that Holtec is promoting what we refer to as "thin canisters" - 5/16ths of steel "protecting" us from deadly plutonium in the fuel rods. They are really nothing more than large tin cans that cannot be repaired or monitored. Those in use near salt water, such as Diablo Canyon or the proposal for use at San Onofre, have already shown the start of corrosion as early as 17 years after being put into operation. Even the head of the company, Dr. Singh, admits (we have him on video) that a microscopic crack in the container would release millions of rems of radiation - a deadly spill.

These thin canisters are not as reliable as the systems used in Germany and elsewhere in Europe, which are 20" thick, can be monitored and can be repaired. Even worse, when a facility is decommissioned in the US, one of the first things to take place is the dismantling of the "spent" fuel pool. This means there is no safe back-up storage available should a Holtec tin can-ister leak. Paint yourself into the corner? Not with nuclear radiation!

Deny Holtec canisters as sub-par technology and do at least this one obvious bit of "protecting people and the environment."

Sincerely,

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