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Dear Secretary,

I am very opposed to the proposed 10 CFR 61 changes and ask NRC to make revisions in the direction of greater isolation of waste. Prevention, not increased exposure to humans and other life forms should be the regulation goal for radioactive releases.

I specifically ask that NCR make the following revisions:

- Delete the existing "\$ 61.6 Exemptions"
- Delete the proposed addition to "\$61.7 Concepts" that would allow deregulating, exempting and releasing radioactive waste and materials from radioactive regulatory control.
- Reject the proposed change from the current allowable public dose of 25 millirems/year to the higher 25 millirems EDE, 100 millirems EDE, 500 millirems EDE or even more per year.
- Remove all provisions that would allow dump operators to do their own "Performance Assessments"
- Remove all provisions that would allow dump operators to make "Safety Cases" to claim they can put more kinds of radioactive waste and longer-lasting nuclear waste in shallow land burial trenches.
- Regulate against putting materials hazardous for 100 years or more being put into burial grounds. Simply labeling various time periods (compliance, performance, protective assurance, etc) and assigning increasing allowable doses does not protect anyone--it simply makes it legal to pollute.
- Allow states to continue setting stricter, more protective standards than NRC.
- Remove the "Level B" compatibility requirement.

I feel strongly that it is the NRC's duty to stringently protect public health and security, and I expect to see that in any regulations, new or revised.

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