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General Comment

5. Whether due to incompetence or complicity, NRC and IAEA inability or unwillingness to ensure adequate QA compliance is a very serious matter. If the latter, it evokes the warning issued by the Japanese Parliament in 2012, that collusion between safety regulatory agencies, the nuclear power industry, and elected officials can lead to nuclear catastrophe. This was the very conclusion the Japanese Parliament made, after the first independent investigation in its history, as to the root cause of the Fukushima nuclear catastrophe: collusion. This lesson should be learned from Fukushima, and applied to radioactive waste transportation, so no disasters due to such collusion ever take place, in the U.S. or anywhere in the world.