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Joseph M. Hendrie, Chairman  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Enclosed is a self-explanatory letter from my  
constituent, Mr. Don Litton, regarding proposed  
regulations on NRC hearing proceedings.

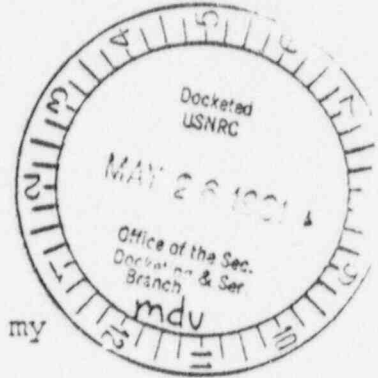
As you will note, Mr. Litton is concerned that  
such proposals may not be in the public's best interests.

Your explanation of the proposed rules will be  
greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Dear Sir:

I am writing concerning two issues, both related, that I feel very strongly about. First, nuclear waste dumped south of Santa Cruz Island. Please tell me what is being done to ascertain the status of the waste. I have written letters to you in the past concerning this. What is the schedule for retrieving those wastes and disposing of them in a (hopefully) safer site?

Secondly, I have just heard on the local radio news that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission is facing severe funding cuts coupled with regulations imposed on hearing proceedings. Specifically, testimony at licensing hearings could only be given by persons having personal knowledge of aspects of the plant under study, and frankly this sounds fishy. It sounds suspiciously like an attempt to eliminate any chance for those opposed to licensing to be heard, even if they are knowledgeable, well-informed citizens. I can't imagine anyone having the credentials to speak at hearings under the proposed regulations would represent any interests other than those of the nuclear industry. The hearings would constitute a farce.

Public sentiment, as I think you are aware, is turning away from nuclear energy. I ask you to please do all you can to see that government policy reflects public sentiment. The NRC is the only watchdog the public has for the nuclear industry. Please help give it more muscle and more teeth.

Thank you  
Sincerely,  
Don Litton