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Chairman Richard Meserve
Attention: Rulemaking and Adjudications Staff
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Dear Mr. Meserve:

I am writing to you because I have recently come to learn that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission has proposed the recycling of radioactive waste into consumer products. Is this true? If so, I ask you please not to recycle radioactive waste into the products that we, consumers, purchase.

I would like to stress the fact that using radioactive waste in consumer products is unnecessary in a country like the U.S., which is so rich in natural resources. The bottom line is that **I am concerned about being involuntarily exposed to the radioactivity that is emitted from this radioactive waste.**

In addition, I am concerned that most people are unaware that radioactive waste is being recycled into consumer goods. Therefore, I ask you to extend the NRC's comment period on the proposal to release radioactive waster into the marketplace.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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