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Mr. Richard Meserve
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Dear Sir:

I am writing in regard to the recycling of radioactive materials into common household goods. I am opposed to this practice and hope that you will decide not to recycle in this manner. Surely an agency such as the NRC can come up with other, safer alternatives. We in the U.S. are already exposed to many toxins, including pesticides, herbicides, contaminants in the water and air, and others. The addition of radioactive materials is simply unacceptable and unnecessary.

There can be no way to accurately determine the levels of exposure, and no way to assess the synergistic effect when combined with other toxins. As a health care professional and a mother, I urge you not to take this dangerous step. To engage in this practice would be dumping of the worst possible kind.

I realize the 'comment period' is over, and I am appalled that the public has not been given more time to respond to such an important issue. One must wonder if this period is brief by design.

I would very much appreciate a decision against this practice.

Sincerely,

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