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At the same time The Record was publishing a four part series of articles on the threat of widespread radioactivity (just completed 11/14/99), the Nuclear Regulatory Agency (NRC), the agency which is supposed to protect us, was (and is) conjuring up new ways to make their mess worse.

Surely, the NRC has known all along about the depravities reported. Yet, their continued actions, make the initials "NRC" stand for Nobody Really Cares.

The NRC is actively pursuing more extensive radioactive "recycling" standards which would allow wider distribution of contaminated materials from all types of nuclear facilities. Their "standard" implies that there is an acceptable death rate. It is like a serial killer pleading that murders committed are O.K. if only a small percentage of the world's population is done in.

But, the amount of murder by radioactivity has been enormously covered up because hundreds of billions of dollars in nuclear subsidies have been grabbed up. There is clear evidence that low level radioactivity is much more damaging than was ever initially suspected.

Many deaths have been caused by so called "safe" doses. The Maywood, NJ experience, and others, demonstrates that the abject failure of the nuclear industry to safely cope with low level radioactivity. Low level wastes are bad enough, but high level wastes are infinitely worse. They have bungled that category even more so.

They claim to have solutions. But whether high or low level wastes are involved, their "solutions" amount to the question of which unstable earthquake fault are they going to pick to store wastes for 10,000 years. Some poisons are deadly for billions of years, but it would be too costly to store wastes for that period of time.

Stealthily dumping wastes into our bodies is premeditated random murder on an unprecedented scale.

Stop wasting America!

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