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Dear Mr. Richardson,

I am opposed to storing high level nuclear waste at Yucca Mountain, Nevada. Yucca Mountain is on land guaranteed the Western Shoshone Nation through the 1863 Treaty of Ruby Valley. The mountain is sacred to Shoshone and Pauite peoples. In addition to the moral injustice of storing America's deadliest garbage on sacred Native territories, I am opposed to the Yucca Mountain project because it poses a serious health risk to all Americans.

Yucca Mountain is a seismically active, leaky mountain and does not meet the containment requirements for isolating radioactivity for the next quarter million years.

It is in the best interest of the United States to stop producing nuclear waste--the longterm costs do not outweigh the short-term benefits. Safer alternative energy sources exist. By dedicating resources to developing alternative energy sources, such as solar power and wind, all Americans and our children's children will benefit from safe energy future. By continuing to use nuclear energy, we are creating more complex energy problems for future generations.

I urge you to protect all Americans and the original peoples of this land by enacting policies that phase out nuclear power and herald in renewable energy resources and energy efficiency.

Sincerely,

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