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Mr. David Meyer
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Dear Mr. Meyer:

I am writing to express my concern regarding the proposed Private Fuel Storage (PFS) of high-level nuclear waste on land belonging to the Skull Valley Band of Goshute Indians. I am deeply concerned about this proposed transport.

My concern stems from issues of safety and health. I have long been opposed to the shipment of high-level nuclear waste through cities and towns and the countryside of our states with the possibility of accidents looming and ever possible. I am concerned for myself and my family, my grandchildren and, very honestly, everyone along the path of the proposed transport. Nuclear waste, with its health and environmental risks, must be kept as safely contained as humanly possible. Transporting this waste across the country, in order to make space to create more such waste, goes against logic. The plan as proposed benefits only the PFS member nuclear utility companies. The United States citizens living along the path of the transport would certainly not benefit. Health and environmental concerns would be sacrificed for corporate advantages.

I find the issue of nuclear waste being moved to Indian land also unconscionable. Our country has a shameful history with regard to Indian people. To further endanger Native peoples' health for corporate profit only adds to this long US. history of scandalous treatment of Indian people.

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Along with my reasons for opposing the PFS, I would ask that the NRC hold public hearings in all transport corridor states that would be impacted by the proposed PFS member company shipments, and future non-member shipments. I further ask that the Draft Environment Impact Statement public comment deadline be extended, possibly for at least 60 days. The transport of high-level nuclear waste is too serious a concern to all US citizens to be slipped through with a quietly orchestrated plan by the utility companies without public knowledge and input.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alice O'Donnell". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Alice O'Donnell
Member of the League of Women Voters of Eastern Carver County
and the Prairie Island Coalition