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Yes, yes, yes! Send your letters, make your calls! Public opinion is powerful! Judy
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Nuclear Opinion in Today's News & Observer

Check out the opinion editorial authored by Carrie Bolton and myself in today's N&O

http://www.newsobserver.com/thursday/news/editorials/Story/268623p-251588c.html

There's some info in this piece that you might not have seen.

THIS BATTLE IS FAR FROM OVER. There are some important things going on and coming up.

More details very soon.

Also, if you didn't see last week's editorial by the N&O, it's reprinted below. Another favorable editorial ran in the Chapel Hill News and some of you are getting some good letters to the editors.

Thanks,

Jim

December 29, 2000

The News & Observer

Fueling distrust

EDITORIAL

One opposition group aptly described as "curious" the federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission's approval of doubling the storage capacity for highly radioactive fuel rods at CP&L's Shearon Harris nuclear power plant in southwestern Wake County. Curious indeed - a sister agency of the NRC is still trying to decide whether to hold full-scale safety hearings on CP&L's proposal or even to require an environmental impact study of it, either of which might be warranted.

The NRC's steamrolling approval of expanded storage will only complicate matters if the sister agency, the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, decides that CP&L's plan could pose a threat to Triangle communities. The vote also fuels the perception that the NRC bends to the will of the power industry at the expense of the public's safety.

CP&L needs more storage for spent fuel rods from its nuclear plants in North and South Carolina (largely because a federal storage facility is years overdue), but rushing to allow the use of built-but-idled cooling pools at the Shearon Harris plant is a dubious way of handling the matter. The utility company says its plans are safe, but equally passionate opponents claim there's a worrisome risk. Experts for the Orange County Board of Commissioners, which has been in the forefront of governmental opposition, argue that the plan would increase the potential for a major waste accident during the next 30 years. Whoever is right, Shearon Harris would become the country's largest depository of the extremely hot, highly radioactive rods.

Science must drive the decision whether to open the unused storage pools, and even then, authorities will need to convince the public that the science is trustworthy. The NRC's vote to allow CP&L to proceed before the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board finished its investigation, if that vote is allowed to stand, can't help but undercut public confidence in this important deliberative process.

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