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Dear Mr. Secretary,

It has come to my attention that the N.R.C is proposing to expand its operation at Erwin based Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc., resulting in construction and operation of an entirely new process of converting high enriched uranium into lower-enriched uranium.

The newspaper article suggests that a small amount of chemicals and radioactive materials will be released into the air; but there is no mention of <u>what</u> chemicals and/or radioactive materials, or how much of same will be released; or how it will be monitored; what will be a tolerable release, and what will be intolerable to the surrounding air and water quality.

Also, the swiftness of the 30-day filing period for public comment is alarming. I own property directly on the river, on which my family resides. My family consists of very young infants to a grandfather who is old and fragile. How will the addition of these new pollutants affect my familys' health?

Also, expansion of a potential processing plant will result in larger shipments of high grade uranium on our public roads, going in and coming out, thereby creating a greater potential for nuclear accidents.

It is not very comforting to the American Public to promise to do a safety evaluation <u>after</u> the period for public redress has passed.

As a citizen of this quiet county, I must request a full public hearing wherein all such questions can be asked and answered.

Sincerely,

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David Wallack