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TO: Richard Meserve, NRC Chairman

FROM: Ruth A. Carter

SUBJECT: Disposal of Nuclear Wastes into Consumer Products

We react with horror at the prospect of Nuclear Wastes being recycled into consumer products and unlicensed landfills. At first, I could not believe that this has already occurred, and is being considered as the procedure of choice by the NRC. What can you be thinking as you consider contaminating our babies and other people with such radioactive materials? If enacted, and cancer rates and deaths increase from such an unconscionable practice, could you not be considered to have committed crimes against humanity?

I think of the parents in an adjacent county fervently battling the opening of a new school next to a landfill, and what an explosion of emotion would occur, if all were aware that radioactive materials could now be dumped there, untracked and unmonitored, and that the desks the children sit in could contain radioactive materials, unbeknownst to them! The only reason you would consider such an unthinkable practice is to save the nuclear industry (who helped buy Bush the White House) the expense of disposing of their waste properly. The only way to handle this waste is to place it in properly prepared, licensed facilities designed for such deadly materials.

Please inform me of where and when you plan to hold public hearings regarding your incredible proposal (not the two-day workshop on May 21 and 22, in Washington D. C.

Yours truly,

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