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Ms. Gagner,

I'm appalled to learn that the NRC allows recycling of radioactive waste. This is dangerous, irresponsible and unacceptable. It is grossly unfair that taxpayers subsidize the nuclear industry; the least we should be able to expect is that a supposed oversight agency, also publicly funded, protects us from radioactive contamination of all kinds, not helps poison us.

It's not too much to ask that nuclear waste producers dispose of their waste properly and safely. How DARE the NRC allow burial of highly toxic materials in regular landfills, at recycling centers neither knowledgeable about nor equipped to handle radioactive waste, and particularly

egregiously permit radioactive items to be recycled into common products used daily by an unsuspecting public?! Aren't NRC staffers concerned about also using these items?

Do your job and make the health and safety of the public the NRC's first and foremost priority.

Indisput!

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