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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. Lesar,

I am writing to express opposition
to production of mixed-oxide (MOX)
fuel from surplus weapons plutonium at
the Savannah River Site nuclear facility.

This is experimental program has never
been pursued at this scale. It poses a
serious threat to public safety and
health and will increase the volume
of hazardous, radioactive waste streams
at a location already plagued by
dangerous waste contamination. An
accident could have severe

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Consequences in nearby communities
which are primarily minority and
low-income.

This proposal also raises complex
consumer and rate-payer concerns
over government subsidies unfairly
favoring a destructive type of
energy production over environ-
mentally safe alternatives.

Please reconsider conclusions
made in the Draft Environmental
Impact statement released in
late February.

Sincerely,
Linda Ewald.

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