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To the Nuclear Regulatory Commission:

Re: Comments on Controlling the Disposition of Solid Materials

After many years of study on the matter, I do not believe that there is any safe level ionizing radiation to humans. Studies I have seen by Dr. John Gofman and others conclude that all radioactive contamination is cumulative. Studies of atomic survivors in Japan also bares out the fact that radioactivity released slowly over time is even more dangerous than a quick blast of high energy.

I therefore oppose all plans to release radioactive materials for consumer use. I concur with the Nuclear Information Resource Service (NIRS), who is advising the NRC that they need to:

- * PROHIBIT RELEASE of radioactive wastes and materials from nuclear power and weapons into the marketplace for unrestricted OR conditional uses; * Prevent additional radiation exposures rather than "justifying" them with computer codes and dose modeling created by nuclear advocates. We oppose "dose-based" or "risk-based" standards.
- * Focus the rulemaking on better ISOLATING nuclear waste from the public and the environment rather than dispersing radiation deliberately; * Since there is no safe dose of ionizing radiation, we accept NO dose above naturally occurring background and voluntary exposures for our own personal benefit; and
- * Stop poisoning us and the recycling industries with ANY level of radioactive contamination from nuclear power and weapons fuel chain activities.

I hope you will take these suggestions to heart, and look forward to your responses to my concerns.

Sincerely,

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