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Regarding NRC's preliminary "scoping" process to draft an environmental impact statement for the license renewal of nuclear power plants, within its 1995 findings on a wide range of NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act) issues that must be addressed generically before a license renewal can be granted:

Please be advised that I oppose, and urge NRC not to adopt or sanction:

+An additional 400-600 tons of high-level waste from every re-licensed nuclear reactor waste that poses unacceptable health and safety risks for generations to come;

+Another 20 years of risks that catastrophic accidents like Three Mile Island may be repeated in my community (e.g. at Indian Point in upstate NY), or that another close call like that at Davis-Besse will go too far;

+The additional economic burden that nuclear plant owner-operators pass on to ratepayers;

+The health risks from routine radiation releases from nuclear plants, and from contamination of groundwater, air and soil.

As the foremost regulator of this country's nuclear industry, the NRC must stop catering to the nuclear industry's every profit-motive, and fulfill its primary mission "to protect public health and safety, and the environment from the effects of radiation from nuclear reactors, materials, and waste facilities."

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