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To Whom This May Concern-

The placement of a facility with such an enormous and enduring capacity for environmental contamination, should things go awry, immediately adjacent to one of the world's largest rivers is a particularly breath-taking example of the hubris of engineers, and the general inclination of most of the rest of us to discount the future. Granted, the plant is already in place, and the difference between the consequences of some hypothetical disaster scenario, whether caused by a plant malfunction, an act of God, or an act of terrorism, at the current facility as compared to an expanded facility is one of degree and not kind. But given the consequences of a significant breach of containment vessels, a difference of degree is one of major significance.

The nuclear industry would not survive absent significant governmental input and risk buffering; it is long past time to redirect this funding into development of much more environmentally friendly and safer energy sources.

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