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Re: Comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed National Enrichment Facility in Lea County, New Mexico (NUREG-1790); Docket No. 70-3103

To Whom It May Concern:

The NRC supposes the environmental impacts from building and operating a uranium enrichment facility in Lea County would be "moderate" at worst. Seven archeological sites would be affected.

Lea County is possibly over a fault, and is in a seismically vulnerable place.

The safety and widespread promise of wind and solar power makes nuclear reactors obsolete. We are already incapable of safely handling old nuclear reactor wastes.

The water required for this project will certainly not be available, neither now nor in the future.

The project would be exempt from taxation and offer a handful of jobs to local citizens.

The danger of contaminating land, air and water by the emission of tons of carbon monoxide, nitrogen dioxide, and volatile compounds is not acceptable to American citizens. An accidental release of uranium hexafluoride would be devastating.

The National Environmental Policy Act requires that environmental impacts be discovered, revealed, and taken into consideration before approval of a project of this nature.

We believe the national Enrichment Facility will not pass the test.

Please enter these comments into the official record on this proceeding. Sincerely,

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