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Subject: Importing of Italian waste

We want to go on record as being apposed to the Energy Solutions' application to accept low-level radioactive waste from Italy.

First, there is a long-term effect associated with storing of additional radioactive material in the Utah desert . The half-life is quite long and as a result, there will be radiation activity in this nuclear waste for eons to come. This will negate this desert area to any future development that may be planned some time in the future. Also any increase in the radioactive waste will result in additional health risk due to increased atomic radiation.

Second, allowing radioactive waste from foreign countries to be brought to Utah is akin to letting the camel get its nose under the edge of the tent. Then before long Utah and the U. S. will become the dumping ground for the world in the future which we do not want.

Third, all major countries of the world are now generating nuclear waste and we feel that it is mandatory that each country dispose of this waste within their own country. Ultimately this might encourage the development of the technology to somehow neutralize the waste or safely recycle the material for future use.

Fourth, right now there is no known way of safely packaging nuclear waste for long term storage up to 100,000 years or more.

Yours truly,



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