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Dear Secretary,

I am writing to express my objection to the plan of EnergySolutions, Inc. to accept low-level radioactive waste from Italy. Please do not allow Utah and the United States to become the world's radioactive waste dump. Those countries which produce the waste must be willing to handle their own waste products, no matter how small a quantity. It is our responsibility to preserve our country for the generations to follow. Once we open the door to even the smallest amount, more and more will follow.

Any country that is willing to consume nuclear energy must be willing to build its own disposal sites. They should not be let off the hook and allowed to ship it to us simply because the United States has corporations that are willing to sell its future to make the almighty dollar. EnergySolutions, Inc. is interested in making more money, not in the future of America.

The day may come when the United States will need places to store its own nuclear waste and our disposal sites will be full of the waste from foreign countries. I don't imagine Italy will be any more willing to take ours than they are to keep their own. My mother always taught me to clean up my own messes and not leave them for others to take care of. It works the same way with countries. It would be an entirely different story if it was waste created by America. It would be our obligation to dispose of it in our own country.

Please don't allow the greed of corporate America to lead our country down a path from which we can never return. Only you can prevent this first step. Don't set a precedent and allow America to become a dumping ground. Please consider the future. America's children and grandchildren are counting on you to be a good steward of their future environment.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Lear

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