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RE 1W023 and XW013

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Sir:

It is time to halt this
scourge of nuclear power,
its waste — and its weapons.

Sincerely,

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**Waste issues should halt
use of nuclear power**

Bravo Thank you for the Jan. 21 Associated Press article, "Storage issues may stall nuclear energy revival" — a worldwide problem.

Yet, France is looking to the United States for a new place to enrich uranium for more nuclear power, while it continues to discharge "hundreds of millions of liters of radioactive waste into the English Channel each year, polluting the oceans all the way to the Arctic," according to the Institute for Energy and Environmental Research (www.ieer.org)

The nuclear scientists' dream of a wasteless reactor is reminiscent of the dream of electricity too cheap to meter.

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Don't let the United States become the world's radioactive waste dumping ground!

I urge the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to deny license applications IW023 and XW013. These applications would allow EnergySolutions to import some 20,000 tons--a million cubic feet--of radioactive waste from Italy into the United States. EnergySolutions proposes to ship this waste into SC and LA, "process" it in Tennessee, where it could be incinerated, dumped in regular trash landfills, or "recycled" into consumer and industrial goods, and then ship the remainder to Utah for shallow land burial.

This scheme is fraught with unnecessary danger, could increase radiation exposures to the public, and would set a terrible precedent. The United States must not become the dumping ground for the world's radioactive waste. These applications must be rejected.

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