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A note from

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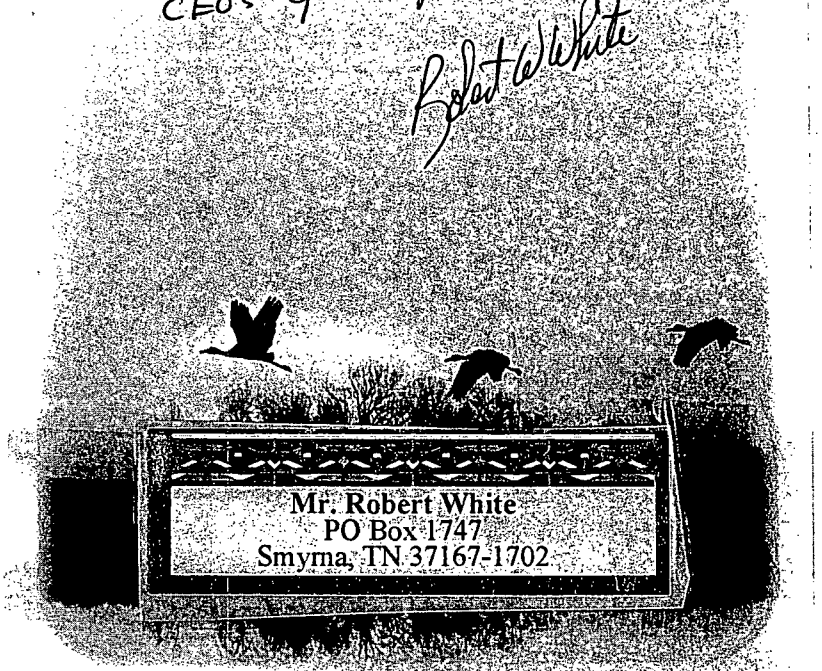
Neither my wife nor I think it is a good idea to dump nuclear waste on the soil of the United States of America! No matter how much it adds to some corporate CEO's golden parachute!

Robert White



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U.S. Should Not Be the World's Nuclear Dumping Ground

Dear Friend,

The United States could become the world's nuclear dumping ground unless action is taken. In what is likely only the first of many requests, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission is considering an application to allow the importation of 20,000 tons of radioactive waste from Italy. The waste will be processed and incinerated in Tennessee with the remains sent to a Utah disposal site.

The United States has a limited amount of space for nuclear waste. Other countries should bear the responsibility of disposing of their own waste. If we open ourselves to radioactive waste from around the world, we may find our ports lined with ships and our highways jammed with trucks from countries that are all too happy to send their waste here and be rid of the problem forever. We will be left with the responsibility of monitoring it for hundreds of years and may be left with no place to dispose of our nuclear waste.

The plan just doesn't make sense. As a senior member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, I have introduced bipartisan legislation that will ban the importation of foreign nuclear waste.

Stay In Touch,

Bart Gordon

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The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is accepting public comments through June 10. To let the NRC know your view on this issue, you can send an e-mail to **hearingdocket@nrc.gov** or send postal mail to Office of the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, Attention: Rulemaking and Adjudications. All correspondence should reference EnergySolutions Import License Application IW023.

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