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Fellow Citizens at the NRC—

Today is a special day. I have to wish for you and our planet a Blessed Earth Day. May we do all we can to foster a vibrant, positive future for this our "blue-green Earth Home."

Because I'm providing childcare for my 4 month old granddaughter in GA—I missed your hearing in Scottsboro AL about the proposed Bellefonte plant (and because she is now napping I can't type out my letter tonight)—

But writing on behalf of Christiana Grace—and many others—I address all of you as kindred spirits because we all have relatives—parents—sons—daughters—grandchildren. Together we live on this one sacred planet for which we are all responsible. As I hold my precious granddaughter & think of the future, I think of the proposed nuclear plants & my heart cries out, No-No-No.

We all want a safe world for our children & their children—7 generations forward as the Native Americans use. It is imperative that we turn away from our old ways of quick answers to problems instead

we must seek sustainable solutions, ones that will not harm the future. Manhattan type projects focused on conservation and safe alternative energies are essential — in Japan & around the world. Let us pray it is not already too late.

Others have addressed to you some of my concerns about these plants:

millions of dollars to build — and then decommission

heating the TN River, using more water than is returned — a terrible problem we cannot afford as water becomes increasingly scarce —

required mining of uranium which has caused serious lung damage & deaths — these also resulting from the use of tailings in building materials

possibility of lethal accidents affecting millions:

on-site accidents

transportation accidents

possibility of terrorist targeting

generation of plutonium used for bombs that threaten the entire world

No guaranteed safe method of safely disposing of/storing the wastes which have a half-life of tens of thousands of years —

Because of these concerns, no nuclear power can be considered sustainable for our Earth which is already in crisis.

Einstein warned us: "Ever since the splitting of the atom, everything in the world has changed except the way we think, & thus we drift toward unparallelled catastrophe."

Howard Zinn calls to all of us: Surely - over 50 years after Hiroshima, it is time to embrace a universal morality, to think of ALL CHILDREN EVERYWHERE as our OWN.

Please in the name of ALL OUR CHILDREN, do not agree to the building of these plants.

Earnestly

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Thanks to Brenda for graciously helping me get the correct address.

(Apologies to all for handwriting. I can send a printed version or an attachment by email if given an address. I dare not awaken our child who is not well.)