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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. Energy—Solutions 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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