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I am writing in regard to "Detroit Edison Company Fermi Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 3 Combined License Application Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement and Conduct Scoping Process"

Thank you for the invitation to comment.

For some time, I have been aware of a movement toward building a third Fermi Nuclear Power Plant. Having studied issues regarding nuclear power, I feel great concern over such a possibility.

This concern focuses especially on what I perceive as an inability of the industry and the DOE to safely store nuclear waste. The efforts at Yucca Mountain have proved unsuccessful. Some nuclear waste has a half life of thousands or millions of years. Producing it without a plan for its safe storage seems extremely irresponsible. The current practice of temporarily storing the waste at the nuclear power plant site is not a satisfactory solution.

We place a heavy burden on our generation and on the generations to come when we produce such a dangerous product which we do not know how to safely store. Decisions made about this issue bear heavy responsibility.

I am relying on you to carry out your duty as a government agency responsible for enforcing EPA regulations and for granting or denying a license to operate a nuclear power plant. Please advise me how the NRC is going to deal with the issue of nuclear waste and what impact the reality of its dangers will have on the licensing decision.

Sincerely,

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