

**Rulemaking Comments**

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Nuclear Regulatory Commissioners

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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to encourage the NRC to take steps to increase the security and safety of nuclear waste stored at civilian nuclear reactor sites, which remains unacceptably vulnerable to a terrorist attack or accident.

As a geologist whose career it is to assist Tribal nations provide oversight to clean up of nuclear waste sites, I urge you to support a rule change that would strengthen the protection of nuclear waste stored in dry casks against foreseeable threats, such as sophisticated terrorist attacks, which might emerge over the next several decades.

Please accept provision (11) of the rulemaking petition submitted by the C-10 Research and Education Foundation, which outlines this change.

I understand the regulatory and origin differences between defense waste and commercial nuclear waste, and what sorts of waste you have oversight for. However, it is clear that in general we have not effectively solved how to safely deal with nuclear waste in this country.

It is too often at risk for accidental exposure and proliferation. We must continue to seek and enact more stringent means to handle this waste before we can consider producing more.

Sincerely,

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