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In reference to the **Eagle Rock Enrichment Facility near Idaho Falls, Idaho docket # 70-7015** it is critical that other communities in Idaho be involved in the public meetings on the draft EIS expected from the NRC in early 2010. Because the Idaho Legislature passed state tax incentives for this project, the NRC must WELCOME and facilitate the participation of Idahoans from across the state. A public meeting in Boise, the capital and main population center, would help achieve this goal. Additionally in order to have a robust conversation about the waste it is essential the NRC consider holding a public hearing in Boise.

Depleted Uranium (DU) hexafluoride is a nasty and difficult-to-manage nuclear waste produced by enrichment plants. It becomes more radioactive over time, and will be most dangerous in one million years. Tell us, what are the environmental risks Idaho will face by storing depleted uranium indefinitely?

Areva is not a good neighbor. The reprocessing plant in LaHague France which they run has poured one million gallons of radioactive liquid into the English Channel each year and has contaminated the seas all the way to the Arctic Circle. How will Areva assure us that they will be RESPONSIBLE stewards of the land and water supply Idaho offers them?

Uranium enrichment can lead to nuclear bomb making. The only difference between the uranium in nuclear reactor fuel and in nuclear bombs is the degree of enrichment. What will the impact be of having this technology in Idaho? Will the use of this technology undermine US efforts for nonproliferation internationally?

Areva is in business to make money and Idaho is desperate for new industry. State legislators have not really studied the consequences of their actions. Nuclear power is not going to make it in this new world order. It's way too expensive and impractical in this day and age. It is not renewable. Areva's enrichment plant is an opportunity to see the wolf in sheep's clothing. It's going to cause more trouble than it could ever be worth. Not just locally but globally. **LET COMMON SENSE PREVAIL!**

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