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General Comment

Francis Slakey makes a compelling argument against licensing the Sillex uranium enrichment technology. Most importantly, there should be no question in the minds of NRC commissioners that nuclear weapons proliferation indeed poses a threat to the defense and security of the United States and that, therefore, it is within the legal purview of the NRC to consider proliferation effects in licensing decisions. Indeed, there may be no greater threat to US security. The US has been fortunate to date in being able to detect every national nuclear weapon program prior to the state having operational weapons -- and thus allowing the US either to persuade that nation not to produce weapons or, at least, to implement policies able to contain the consequences of the new proliferator. The Sillex process increases the risk that, in the future, states will be able to acquire nuclear weapons completely surreptitiously, adding greatly to the threats confronting this nation. The license applications should be turned down.

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Van,

Attached for docketing is a comment from Barry Blechman on PRM-70-9 (75 FR 80730) that I received via the regulations.gov website on 2/2/11.

Thanks,
Carol

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