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Dear Secretary Vietti-Cook,

It is glaringly clear that we, as an advanced society, have bitten off much more than we know how to chew. Although nuclear power plants have back-up systems upon back-up systems, the Japanese plant still portends catastrophic consequences. Today, the people who live near Chernobyl are enduring real suffering. Earthquake faults were discovered in places where there were thought to be none. An atomic power plant now operates on top of one.

It is time to admit to ourselves that nuclear energy is a risk too great. It is nonsensical to use this awesome, extremely dangerous, ultimately little understood power to boil water. The billion dollars or more needed to build and maintain a nuclear powered generator would be smartly and safely spent on supplementing individuals and businesses alike to install personal solar or wind or even geothermal electricity generators. Never reported has such an operating installation caused anyone any harm of any kind.

It is time to advance past the self-deception of nuclear plant safety. It is time to advance towards truly safe energy production. We must redirect our composite energies to alternative sources, to teach conservation of all matters natural, and to respect unequivocally good Mother Earth.

Thank you,
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