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Hello Mr. Doyle,

I am not able to travel to the public meeting today in Crystal River, but I wanted to communicate my position against renewing or approving any licenses for nuclear power in Florida and the United States.

As you know, Nuclear Power is not a green energy solution, as the material is toxic for hundreds or thousands of years depending on the isotope. We humans have no way of containing these dangerous materials & their by-products for the duration of time needed to render them harmless, - and we do not even have a somewhat safe place to store them as the Yucca mountain facility in Nevada failed to obtain approval. This means that the dangerously radioactive spent fuel rods must be stored locally at the nuclear power plants themselves, increasing the danger even further.

While the confluence of events which triggered the Japan nuclear disaster rarely happen, I'm equally concerned with the unreported releases of radiation which occur on a more frequent basis during transportation, maintenance, accidents, human error, etc. Radiation as you know is is colorless, orderless and tasteless - truly an invisible killer, upon which we have no defense. Any such mishaps are easy to cover up and not report. Also it was just reported in the news yesterday that at least 75% of the nuclear power plants in the United States have leaked radioactive waste into the environment.

We could all have a bad day based on which way the wind blows, not to mention the contamination of our land, food and water. I think you'd agree that this is no way to live and a flawed energy policy.

Please do what you can to shut down the nuclear power plants in Florida (and the rest of the U.S.) and please deny the approval of the license for the Crystal River Plant and for the new nuclear plant that Progress Energy plans to build in Levy County.

Please support efforts to move us to natural gas and other true green energy initiatives.

Thanks again for your service and help with this matter,

Wallace Eggert
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