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Dear NRC,

I respectfully disagree with your premise that continued storing of nuclear waste in pools and containers on-site at nuclear power plants is safe.

Nuclear waste is extremely hazardous and deadly for thousands of years. Waste kept in pools must continually have water re-circulated to keep cool, and a number of factors from natural disasters, to terrorism, to human error could stop this cooling process, which in turn would lead to overheating of the waste, which then leads to hydrogen gas release, which leads to explosions like what happened at Fukushima, which is a full on melt-down.

It is not worth the risk of lives and cancer for potentially millions of people, and even more animals, and crop land. I live within 20 miles of SONGS, which has a long history of safety violations, more than any other plant. They recently found hundreds of worn cooling tubes, some severely worn after only a couple of years of service. If a disaster happened here like in Fukushima it would most likely result in a loss of a trillion dollars in property value, and kill and cause who knows how many cancers and deaths over the long term. It is not worth the risk, and it is not worth creating thousands of years of deadly waste, for 50 years of power, which we don't even need anyways. SONGS only produces about 7% of the state's energy, an amount that could be made up for in efficiency alone, not to mention other safer sources like wind and solar.

yours for a livable future,

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