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Dear Chairman,

Please accept this letter as my response to your "Comments on COMSECY 12-0016, Approach for addressing policy decisions to vacate Waste Confidence Decision and Rule." I respectfully request that this letter also be placed in the particular and proper files regarding public comments on this ongoing Court Decision.

You state that the agency can resolve the matter through an EIS. I agree if the EIS is adequate. I respectfully disagree that EISs have always been adequate, and wish to point out what the inadequacies have been in the past and continuing.

1. The agency has used an informational meeting at Bloomsburg to introduce the idea of comments from the public not getting into any NRC record or docket. Nothing was saved in writing of the comments from the audience that night. People had come from Philadelphia and all over Pennsylvania to get their comments into the record.
2. The ALJ, administrative law judge, in any hearing has dictatorial powers to eliminate any testimony and evidence from the record with little restraint. This makes intervention prohibitively expensive and appeals impossible. This change followed the first time that an individual intervener, pro se, ever won a contention at a hearing on an operating nuclear power plant (See Lewis Contention in the matter of Three Mile Island #1 Restart Hearings.) I refer to Para. 2.333 Authority of the presiding officer to regulate procedure in a hearing.
3. The NRC held a public meeting about the complete collapse of safety culture at Palisades NPP on Sept. 12, 2012. Considering that the NRC has listed Palisades as one of the 4 worst run plants, Palisades has the worst embrittled reactor vessel according to NRC, and leaks into the control room, I do not see NRC safety culture as "world class."

The NRC has a penchant for ignoring that which contradicts the industry viewpoints. This is especially the case for generic problems; fire safety, offsite power outages, Mark I design weaknesses...

4. Previously classified documents show potential fire dangers at San Onofre. A fire at Browns Ferry NPP 37 years ago prompted the NRC to promulgate regulations. These regulations are not met in many NPPs to this day. Or you may consider workers smoking marijuana as

meeting the hourly fire watch variance. Many NPPs continue to be granted variances to the fire regulation

5. Back when nuclear power plants were first proposed, the idea of a 'smart grid' was unheard. We now have many smart grids which can be easily breached. Stux worms, computer viruses are in every one's vocabulary except the NRC. I respectfully request adequate regulations to fit the computer age before licensing is resumed. I request further that coronal mass ejections be considered a threat to NPP's operation and incorporated into regulation and hardening because they are a danger to grids, both smart and not. (Discover Magazine, 1-2-2012.) I know, "There is no system fool proof enough to defeat a sufficiently great fool." I request that we try. (Edward Teller Omni Magazine May 1988).
6. Mark 1 designs have many weaknesses according to a stockholder's resolution presented April 25, 2012 at Detroit's Renaissance Center. Any perusal of what is happening at Fukushima will give the Chairman a good perspective of Mark 1 design flaws. Russia is presently talking to Japan as to where 40,000,000 refugees will go if the design flaws proceed further. (Manichi Daily News May 2012).
7. San Onofre has shown thinning and wear in steam generator tubes as little as 2 years old. Many cracks and wear has come to light unexpectedly all over the nuclear landscape. I request that unexpected wear be addressed before licenses are issued and adequately addressed.
8. I am pleased that security has been reintegrated into ROP assessments. I hope that the reintegration of safety will lead to better oversight than detailed above.
9. I live near the Limerick Nuclear Power Plant. Please tell them to fix the 3 year old leak into the River. As to the financing of NPPs and the welfare meted out to the nuclear industry. I plan to bring that up in later comments. (Stop the Nuclear Industry Welfare Program. Bernie Sanders, Reader supported News.)
10. I have not gone into the most contentious parts of the nuclear fuel cycle. Tsunamis and floods of proportions unseen historically are possible. Earthquakes happen. The Caldera at Yellowstone is 50,000 years overdue to blow. Man may have spread enough radiation to reset the evolutionary clock of the Earth which means Mankind is facing extinction. I do not know how much is needed to license nuclear power plants. I do know that I am grateful to G-d that I am too old to see the consequences of the nuclear fuel cycle.

Respectfully submitted,

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