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Dear Secretary,

I don't buy your assertion that nuclear waste can EVER be "scientifically-defensible, environmentally-responsible and publicly-acceptable."

All processes that generate radioactive waste should be terminated immediately, in the interest of public safety, if nothing else.

The NRC's Draft NUREG-2157 makes laughable claims about the safety of storing high-level radioactive waste in fuel pools and dry casks: by their very nature, neither casks nor fuel pools are designed for permanent storage.

I am amazed that the NRC, with all its expertise, has not learned from Fukushima, Chernobyl, Bhopal and Love Canal that ending radioactive waste generation is the single most important step we can take to minimize the risks surrounding its storage. The NRC must mandate the immediate movement of waste that has been sufficiently cooled out of the pools to dry storage containers, and those should be hardened on-site (HOSS) to improve safety and security.

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