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General Comment

Fukushima showed the danger in relying on long-term storage of nuclear waste rods in spent fuel pools which require constant circulation of cooled water. Nuclear waste rods need be transferred to hardened dry cask storage as soon as possible, even if it is more expensive for electrical utilities. Long-term solutions need to be developed for nuclear waste, to eliminate the need for long-term onsite storage of nuclear waste..

Do not assume that nuclear power plants in the Central and Eastern USA will not be exposed to major earthquakes. The New Madrid Earthquake was a very large historical earthquake that affected part of this region. Also, there is evidence that hydraulic fracturing and/or underground disposal of wastewater are triggering or causing earthquakes, so earthquakes may occur where they have not historically happened.