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Letter to the Editor: Best Town Should Not Include Nuclear Waste

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Roger Johnson, San Clemente

It is nice to hear happy talk about San Clemente being the best town in the world, but in the letter, (Setting the Record Straight, *San Clemente Times*, Jan. 30), Andy Jezuitski apparently doesn't know that 92672 is **also home to one of the worst nightmares any town could have: a nuclear waste dump.**

Unfortunately we have enough uranium here to fuel 20,000 nuclear warheads. Most of it is sitting outside the domes in pools vulnerable to earthquakes, tsunamis and human error. **The rest is stacked openly in a parking lot a few hundred feet from Interstate 5 and the Pacific Ocean.**

It would be nice if San Clemente were an ideal place to have children and raise a family, but unfortunately our health and safety will remain in question for many decades to come.

That is why the National Academy of Science is now studying our town, and all others within 30 miles, **for cancer streaks possibly caused by the radiation Southern California Edison has been discharging into the ocean and the air we breathe since 1968. Our health and safety is also endangered by the just-released NRC plan to keep the nuclear waste right here for the next 60 years and possibly forever.**

Radioactive contamination could render worthless hundreds of square miles in Southern California.

The San Clemente City Council has voiced its opposition to the NRC's decommissioning plan, but **where is the outrage from mothers, real estate agents and business leaders?** Where is the concern of Rep. Darrell Issa who has done nothing to protect his own district?

Radioactive waste must be transferred from cooling pools to transportable casks, and moved far away to a secure and remote temporary site until the nation figures out a permanent solution. After a half century of creating nuclear waste, the government has no solution in sight. It is possible there may never be a permanent solution.

The new plan to make zip code 92672 a long-term nuclear waste dump may be a solution for the nuclear industry, but this is **completely unacceptable for those of us who live here.** There are a lot

of great things about San Clemente but being designated as a nuclear waste dump is not one of them.

1. David Davison March 5, 2014 at 4:38 pm # COMMENT Feel free to move out! Perhaps there isn't the outrage because the vast majority of folks don't share your hysteria or believe your factually bankrupt statements. Case in point: The nuclear industry doesn't want to keep paying to store this fuel on site, it is not THEIR solution. They would love to be able to ship it to Yucca Mt. and lay off or use their workers in some other work location. So you are, again, WRONG!