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A comment on

Linear No-Threshold Model and Standards for Protection Against Radiation

A Proposed Rule by the [Nuclear Regulatory Commission](#) on [06/23/2015](#)

Permit me to quote a pro-nuclear energy organization:

"A press release from the Health Physics Society, a pro-nuclear professional organization, cites the (their) study and describes the dangers of even low doses of radiation (see <http://hps.org/documents/BEIRVIIPressRelease.pdf>) The press release quotes the committee chair of the scientists who studied the effects of low levels of radiation:

" 'The scientific research base shows that there is no threshold of exposure below which low levels of ionizing radiation can be demonstrated to be harmless or beneficial,' said committee chair Richard R. Monson, associate dean for professional education and professor of epidemiology, Harvard School of Public Health, Boston."

Are you joking?

If you permit this, you will legitimize all current radioactive releases, leaks, and ongoing emissions from nuclear power plants, you'll shrink evacuation zones, and allow continuing emissions from Fukushima, Chernobyl, WIPP (New Mexico nuclear waste disposal site), Hanford, Oak Ridge, Nevada and Alaska test sites, Santa Susanna, Farallons nuclear waste dump, depleted uranium, nuclear weapons, and other international emissions, as long as the government classifies them as "low level", continuing to allow them to do harm to Americans and others.

No protective measures or public safety warnings would be considered necessary. Clean-up measures could be sharply reduced. Protection for medical and screening personnel working around radiation-emitting equipment could be reduced.

In a sense, this would legalize what the government is already doing – failing to protect the public and promoting nuclear radiation.

Do not adopt these destructive rules.

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