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## General Comment

Since exposure to radiation is cumulative, no amount of radiation should ever be considered "safe", not even so called "low level" radiation. I am old enough to recall when the peaceful use of nuclear energy was first proposed for use as an energy source in the US and that they had no safe way to dispose of the radioactive waste but it was felt that by the time they would have to deal with it, they (the scientists) would know how to dispose of it....safely. Fast forward to today and no surprise we don't know how to safely dispose of it. Common sense would dictate that we cease to build and operate nuclear power plants. They are the most expensive form of energy, but also the most dangerous. Three Mile Island, Cheronobyl and now Fukushima in Japan where tons of radioactive water is being dumped into the Pacific Ocean on a daily basis. Our government seems to be silent and is not even monitoring the radiation off the West Coast of the US, or anywhere in this country, which begs the question as to why not? We tried nuclear energy and in my opinion it's been a huge failure with no one private insurance company willing to insure any of these plants, so my tax dollars are at risk as well as my life and well being. So, when you consider all this why would you even consider changing the safe level of radiation from zero to small doses?