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Folks

This is exactly what you're going to get and have gotten from southern California Edison's nuclear facility in San Clemente. Now Southern California Edison uses and will use inferior canisters to store this radioactive material.

Of course you're all expendable in Irresponsible companies eyes.

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How much can you trust the US government to clean up nuclear waste? See this story tonight: <http://www.cbsnews.com/news/cdc-investigating-possible-cancer-cluster-near-st-louis/>

Just outside of St. Louis, Jenelle Wright and her friends organized a Facebook campaign to locate cancer in an area where government contractors stored (dumped) nuclear waste many decades ago. They came up with a map showing an unusual cluster of 2700 cases of cancer. The Dept. of Energy which supervised this has no comment. The reckless behavior then and now. We should be doing something like this here. I have no idea how she did it through FB.

Here is another even more hair-raising story reported today in the NYT.

<http://www.nytimes.com/2015/10/20/world/europe/us-will-clean-area-in-spain-where-hydrogen-bombs-accidentally-fell.html> Did you know that the US Air Force dropped four Mark 28 H Bombs on Spain on Jan. 17, 1966? The military likes to call these near catastrophes Broken Arrow incidents (there were about 30 other similar nuclear accidents). It was a mid-air collision between a B-52 and a refueling tanker over Palomares (a few hundred miles from Seville, Valencia, or Gibraltar). One of the bombs has never been found and is probably in the Mediterranean somewhere. (Something like the H bombs off Tybe Island, Georgia, which have never been found.)

Each of the H Bombs is the equivalent of about 100 Hiroshima bombs. Some of the conventional explosives went off and scattered Plutonium which continues to contaminate parts of Spain. The incident was covered up and lied about but eventually about 1500 tons of soil were removed. The US agreed to ship much of it back to store in Aiken, South Carolina. Many soldiers were exposed during the process. In recent

years, Spain found even more radioactive contamination and demanded that the US clean it up. The US dragged its feet and haggled with Spain but did not want to settle for fear of setting a precedent for other counties which suffered similar contamination. The reason for the story is that on Monday the US reluctantly agreed to go back and ship more contaminated soil back to the US.

Moral of both stories:

1. The US government has a history of engaging in dangerous and risky use of nuclear materials.
2. The US govt is incompetent in handling nuclear materials safely.
3. The US govt has a long history of nuclear accidents.
4. The US government has a long history of lies, deception, and cover-ups of nuclear accidents.
5. The US government has no problem with putting the public at risk and has callous disregard for public safety.
6. The US govt cannot be counted on to make amends for its disasters.
7. This behavior goes back more than a half-century and continues today and will probably continue in the future.

9. The US govt has no problem contaminating American soil or setting up conditions which will be contamination disasters years from now.

8. Try not to laugh when Edison says it trusts the US government to remove nuclear waste by 2049 and cart it away for safe storage.

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