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General Comment

This is request for an extension on time to comment.

In general, the goal should be to prevent any release of radioactive materials into water.

In no case should the federal MCLs or Maximum Contamination Levels, promulgated by the Environmental Protection Agency under the Safe Drinking Water Act, be exceeded for ground water, surface water, any water. Since all water could at some point become drinking water, these levels should be applied as the maximum contamination to all releases, unless stricter (more protective ie lower concentrations) levels are applicable in which case, those should be applied. NRC's 10 CFR 20 and 10 CFR 50 levels are not protective enough especially for females and all young.

Nuclear Information and Resource Service advocates for constant real time monitoring and public real time reporting in an understandable user-friendly way, of all radioactive releases into water (and air) in terms of amounts and concentrations radioactivity (not a calculated dose averaged over time). This should be at the expense of the polluter.

Harmonizing standards should only be done if it strengthens the standards; should not be used to justify weaker protections (higher allowable releases).

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