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## General Comment

From Jan Boudart, Chicago

To make U.S. regulations for the transportation of radioactive waste less citizen-health-conscious would be going the wrong way even if (especially if) the IAEA regulations are taken as an example.

Do not follow their regulations but make the U.S. regulations better than they are now. Better means "that which has greater excellence or is preferable or wiser".<sup>1</sup> When it comes to wisdom, the IAEA is a very poor standard to follow.<sup>2</sup>

We don't need to harmonize with the IAEA. For example, we must pay attention to groups like Physicians for Social Responsibility, letting the U.S. develop its own rules as a standard for other nuclear states to follow. It's time to focus on the health of citizens not ways to turn over tax- and rate-payer money to atomic industrialists.

1 <http://bit.ly/2jB2yTw>

2 ". . . IAEA's main role has been to promote the interests of the nuclear power industry worldwide, and it has

used the agreement (1959, with WHO) to suppress the growing body of scientific information on the real health risks of nuclear radiation." <http://bit.ly/2iMaHEs>