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REPLY TO: RICHARD STONE  
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## United States Senate

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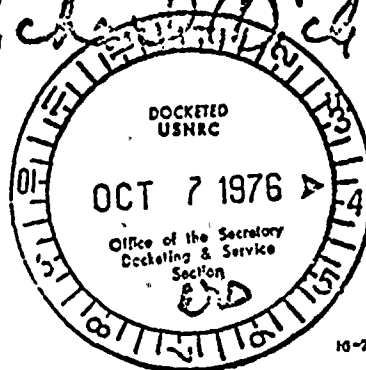
Marcus Rowden  
Chairman  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
.....Washington, D.C. 20555.....

for such consideration as the communication  
herewith submitted may warrant, and for a report  
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By direction of

*Richard D. Stone*

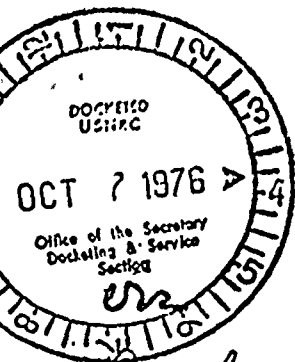
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# CURE

## Citizens United against Radioactive Environment

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On all correspondence with Senator Stone regarding this matter, please refer to File # 1171627-23

*Dear Senator Stone,*

*9/18/76*

SHOULD NUCLEAR UNIT NO. 2 BE MOVED TO AN ALTERNATE SITE MANY MILES FROM HUTCHINSON ISLAND? THE OCTOBER HEARINGS (DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON) ORDERED BY THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION (NRC) COULD RESULT IN A "YES" DECISION. WHY?

The basic reason is the unsolved problem of how to dispose of deadly nuclear wastes. Permanent storage sites have never been developed, though 58 plants are operating in the United States. The hot radioactive wastes can not be emptied from temporary storage pools so that leaks can be repaired. Since there are no waste reprocessing facilities, all this radioactivity must be held on the site of the nuclear unit.

Critical Mass, a Washington monthly newspaper dealing with energy issues, reports in its August, 1976 issue: "Leaks of radioactive waste at the FP&L Turkey Point atomic reactor, near Miami, exemplify many of the problems surrounding waste storage.... Today, water that surrounds the radioactive wastes has itself become contaminated and is leaking from the storage site at the rate of 90 gallons per hour.... Attempts to repair the leaks have not been successful so far, partly due to the high concentration of radioactivity in the area."

The short program broadcast by WPBT, Channel 2, Miami, vividly pictured and explained the Turkey Point problems. We hope you watched it.

Recently the U.S. Court of Appeals chastised the U.S. NRC for failure to adequately consider the problems of radioactive waste before issuing licenses to build nuclear power plants.

On August 12, 1976, the NRC declared a nation wide moratorium on licenses for nuclear generating plants. The NRC stated it will not issue licenses to build new atomic power plants or operate newly constructed plants at full power until it has completed a thorough study of the possible environmental dangers of reprocessing spent nuclear fuel and handling nuclear wastes.

Senator John Pastore, Chairman of the Joint Congressional Committee on Atomic Energy, says, "The most important problem facing nuclear power is waste management."

The main objective of CURE at the October hearing is to appeal to NRC to choose a better site for the planned Nuclear Unit No. 2 many miles from Hutchinson Island. CURE was encouraged in this attempt when the NRC Appeals Board publicly criticized, in scathing language, its own Regulatory Staff and FP&L for failing to find and consider alternate locations for this second

FP&L Nuclear Plant No. 1 has been completed but has shut down because of malfunctioning of the core, coolant water and generator. The huge FP&L oil burning generator is nearing completion in western Martin County. A third generating plant in this area is unreasonable and unnecessary. Another nuclear reactor would be a gross imposition upon the present and future citizens of Martin and St. Lucie Counties and their children.

The costs of preparing for the October hearings and retaining an attorney and witnesses acceptable to the NRC will cost several thousand dollars.

Please mail your donation of \$25, \$50, \$100 or more to the above address. Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

*Valerie Prime*

Valerie Prime  
Vice-president, CUPE  
Delegate, Martin County  
Conservation Alliance

*Scott Fletcher. Harry H. Alder*

Scott Fletcher  
Chairman  
Save Our Beaches  
Executive Committee

Harry H. Alder  
President, CURE  
St. Lucie County

P.S. Remember, you cannot insure your life or property against a nuclear disaster. Let's reduce the risks by at least 50%.

*Dear Senator,*

*This letter is not to solicit funds from you, but merely to keep you informed of our protest against siting a second nuclear plant on Hutchinson Island.*

*Sincerely,*

*Louise Carnevale*