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General Comment

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Subject: Transmittal of Westinghouse Electric Company Comments on the Development of a Regulatory Basis for the Disposal of Greater-than-Class C (GTCC) and Transuranic Waste [Docket ID NRC-2017-0081]

Westinghouse Electric Company (Westinghouse) appreciates the opportunity to comment on what should be considered by NRC in the development of a regulatory basis for the disposal of Greater-than-Class C (GTCC) and transuranic waste through means other than a deep geologic disposal, including near surface disposal. Westinghouse appreciates the NRC staff's consideration of the following comment.

Westinghouse does not have specific comments to provide on the questions that were provided in the Federal Register Notice (FRN) for this issue. However, Westinghouse would like to provide a generic comment on the topic of GTCC waste disposal. Westinghouse is supportive of NRC pursuing rulemaking in this area to help establish a comprehensive and predictable national framework for the permanent disposal of all categories of radioactive waste. When it comes to decommissioning, it is a priority for Westinghouse, and our customers (i.e., nuclear power plant utilities), to safely remove risk from the site early in the decommissioning process. Providing additional options for GTCC waste disposal will have the potential to allow GTCC waste to be safely removed from sites undergoing decommissioning sooner in the process, which will also allow for flexibility to shrink the site's Protected Area footprint sooner during decommissioning. Overall, allowing for expanded GTCC waste disposal has the potential to improve the efficiency of decommissioning, of which Westinghouse is in support.

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