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Nuclear Regulatory Commission WCS Waste Storage Application

RE: Docket No. 72-1050; NRC-2016-0231 Waste Control Specialists LLC's / ISP's Consolidated Interim Spent Fuel Storage Facility Project

Dear Nuclear Regulatory Commission WCS Waste Storage Application,

Esteemed Commissioners :

I find myself deeply dismayed by the efforts of "Public Citizen" to block the movement of spent nuclear fuel, a vital energy resource for our nation's future, to a central storage site. Their claims that the storage of this material, sealed into well-nigh impregnable casks, would somehow pose a hazard to local residents and even to the Ogallala Aquifer are nothing short of astonishing.

Likewise, they purport that the transport of spent fuel, a strictly-controlled activity which has been carried out for decades around the world without any hazard arising to the public, is something that must be resisted by every sensible person, when the hazard posed by the daily, unremarked carriage of substances such as chlorine or liquefied petroleum gas is, by any identifiable measure, far greater. Living as I do in Fort Worth, Texas, it is almost certain that shipments of spent fuel would pass through my city, and this prospect does not alarm me in the slightest degree. The same is true of a friend of mine, who lives along the UP main line in northern Nevada.

Reading their suggested comments, it is clear that they have gone to great lengths to summon entirely imaginary horrors, which are precluded by the simple fact that the spent fuel is in the form of a solid ceramic, encased in metal, encased in concrete. One would think that they have not made the least effort to acquaint themselves with the facts regarding nuclear energy.

Therefore I urge you to approve the application for this facility. Consolidated above-ground storage will greatly ease the complications facing civil nuclear energy until its true importance can be properly recognized, at which time the contained plutonium will become an important fuel for fast reactors, while the slightly-enriched uranium can be recycled into thermal reactors.

Respectfully,

Sincerely,  
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