

## Nuclear Energy is safe!

As I see it, nuclear energy should be and probably will be the major source of energy for the world. There is a lot of talk going around about nuclear plant safety. I admit that there have been minor nuclear accidents in the United States. But there has been no loss of life, and little damage to the environment. But if an oil tanker explodes there is usually loss of life and severe damage to the environment. So nuclear power plants are quite safe.

Another so-called problem about nuclear energy is where to store the radioactive waste. In West Germany, nuclear waste has been successfully stored in underground salt-beds. So there really is no problem as to where to store nuclear wastes.

Some people are afraid of dying if there is an accident in a nuclear power plant. So to put these minds at ease, a study was done to calculate the odds of anyone dying because of radiation.

The study concluded that if 100 reactors were operating, a person would have a

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chance of 1 in 5 billion of dying. And if by some remote chance, someone would die because of radiation the death would be the same as a man being shot to death. Some people seem to think that a person who dies because of radiation is more dead than a person who is shot to death.

So it is my opinion that nuclear energy is safe, and can provide all of our needed energy.

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