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Gentlemen:

I have been informed that a movement to deregulate and redefine radioactive low level wastes is being considered by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. I strongly oppose this measure and urge the Commission to also do so.

The State of Ohio would face severe adverse circumstances if the Below Regulatory Concern (BRC) policies are enacted. Ohio is currently facing a waste disposal problem on two fronts. We are hindered by waste from the Davis Besse and Perry Nuclear Power Plants and four nuclear weapons facilities plus the influx of out-of-state trash being transported here.

Should the BRC policies be enacted, I feel Ohio's present regulatory system which thoroughly inspects low level radioactive wastes would be hindered. Our state has put in countless time and effort to protect Ohio's environment and its people, and the subsequent changes which could occur from this ruling would not benefit our state.

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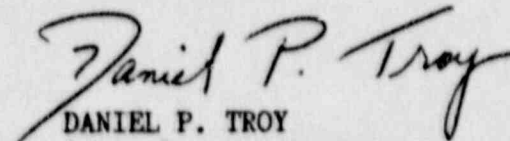
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Serious attempts are being made to control hazardous wastes within our nation and to deregulate and redefine radioactive low level wastes would only hamper this effort. I am confident that the Commission will not let this happen by deciding to protect Ohio's vital natural resources.

Thank you for your prompt and thorough consideration on this issue.

Sincerely,


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