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Secretary of the Commission,
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Sir:

I am writing in response to your invitation for comment on the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Proposed Rule on Standards for Protection Against Radiation published in the Federal Register on October 8, 1980.

I would like to indicate that I strongly endorse and support the proposed rule that would allow NRC licensees to dispose of liquid scintillation material and animal carcasses containing less than .05 microcuries of tritium or carbon-14 per gram, without regard to their radioactivity.

This is certainly a step in the right direction regarding the dilemma of low level radioactive waste disposal and I would urge you to continue to study other means for reducing the amount of low level waste that requires special disposal in a similar rational fashion.

Sincerely,

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