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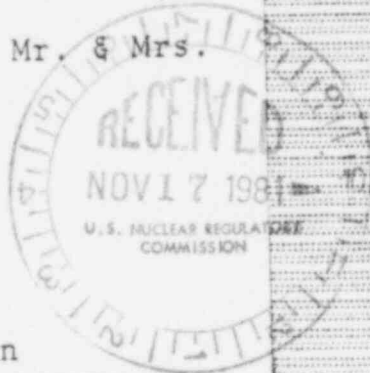
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By direction of

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Sir:

According to Critical Mass Energy Journal for April, 1981, "...for the last 10 years the federal government has been accumulating 31,000 tons of radioactive scrap metal as a byproduct of processing uranium for commercial reactors and weapons." As you know, the disposing of all this radioactive waste is an immense problem.

The solution proposed by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission is unbelievable. It plans to lift restrictions on re-using radioactive iron, nickel, copper and aluminum...which would allow commercial scrap dealers to buy the metals and sell them to firms that would use them in consumer and industrial products. Once the plan goes into effect, all of us will be subjected to low levels of radiation every moment of every day, unless we test everything coming into our homes with a Geiger counter.

How do you feel about installing permanent water pipes in your home which will release radiation continually into your water supply? How do you feel about cooking utensils which are continually emitting radiation...or buying food in cans made of radioactive materials?

Personally, the whole prospect is very frightening. Please take whatever action is necessary to prevent NRC's proposed solution from becoming a fact.

We would appreciate hearing from you on this matter.

Very truly yours,

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