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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Attn: Secretary of the Commission

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I am a resident of Van Buren County, Michigan, a largely rural and highly agriculture county, stretching the shore of Lake Michigan to the West and stretching East almost to the city of Kalamazoo.


On the shore of Lake Michigan is Palisades nuclear power plant, located in the South Haven/Overst area. This plant has become the subject of a great deal of attention lately because of the planned use of a dry cask storage system for spent nuclear fuel rods. This is the reason I am writing to you.

"Spent" fuel rods from nuclear reactors are the most highly radioactive substance on the planet. I am extremely concerned and distressed that Palisades may be allowed to store these spent rods in casks - within yards of Lake Michigan! We cannot risk the potential of leakage/penetration of radioactive particles into Lake Michigan! It also not make sense. Storing spent rods is a problem. Let's use our heads and store them somewhere isolated from a source of one of the largest bodies of fresh water on the planet. It's the only planet we have - we must act responsibly.

I urge you to consider the impact your decisions and actions will have on the future.

I'm not wild about having a nuclear reactor in my backyard in the first place. PLEASE do not allow the storage of the spent fuel rods onsite.

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