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Ivan Selin, Chairman
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Dear Mr. Selin,

I urge you to advise the NRC licensing board to deny LES' application to construct a uranium enrichment facility in Homer, Louisiana.

The local communities of Forest Grove and Center Springs oppose having the LES plant located near them because their groundwater may be contaminated, LES is considering closing the only road serving Forest Grove, water from the proposed plant would flow into a stream that flows into Lake Claiborne watershed, LES hasn't considered designing an evacuation plan for the people of Forest Grove and Center Springs in the event of an accident involving trucks, which would be carrying the enriched uranium, and most likely the 4,000 tons of radioactive uranium-238 waste produced annually, if the plant is constructed, would probably be stored on the plant's 450 acre site.

I also urge you take a close look at the issue of environmental racism, there are an overwhelming number of toxic waste sites, incinerators, and hazard chemical and industrial operations in poor, minority communities. Environmental racism may have played a role in deciding to site the plant near two small black communities.

Furthermore, there is already a worldwide overcapacity for producing enriched uranium, and the cost of LES' enriched uranium is higher than DOE's.

Thank you for your time.

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