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Dear Reference Docket ID NRC-2016-0231,

As a lifelong Texas resident, it saddens me to know that this is being considered as a possibility. Not only will the transit through major cities cause potential exposure to millions of people, dumping this waste would be horrible for the west Texas area. Dumping waste in this area would lead to harm to largely Latinx communities who are already disproportionately at harm. In addition, the environmental conditions of the west and southwest Texas areas make the dumping of such harmful materials an even more dangerous and irresponsible act. The west and southwest land of Texas is one of the treasurers of our state, beautiful land that will be unreputably harmed due to this waste dumping plan. Please do not pass this permit.

Office of Administration
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Attn: Program Management, Announcements and Editing Staff
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555-0001

RE: Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), Docket No. 72-1050; NRC-2016-0231 Interim Storage Project?s license application to construct and operate a Consolidated Interim Storage Facility (CISF) for spent nuclear fuel (SNF) and Greater-Than Class C (GTCC) waste.

I oppose Interim Storage Project's plan to store dangerous high-level nuclear waste in Andrews County, Texas. This environmentally unjust plan would target a largely Latinx region of the country with the deadliest nuclear waste. The region is unsuitable for storing nuclear waste since it?s prone to earthquakes, sinkholes, temperature extremes, wildfires, intense storms and flooding. The hydrogeology of the site is still uncertain.

The NRC has ignored many key health and safety issues raised in thousands of previous comments and in 100 legal contentions, many of which were backed by expert testimony. The inadequate Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) shows that the NRC is still not addressing these concerns.

Some of the many concerns that have not been addressed by this application include:

- Threats from terrorism aren?t adequately addressed and the potential use of drones wasn?t considered.
- Transportation routes were not designated and accident risks have been artificially minimized.
- The DEIS fails to adequately analyze cumulative impacts of the proposed facility and nearby sites on workers, local people and the environment.
- The risks of creating a dangerous de facto permanent site were not included, and nuclear waste should not be moved across the country to a site not designed for permanent disposal.

This nation must end environmental injustice and halt disproportionate impacts on people of color. Dumping the most toxic nuclear waste of a whole nation on the largely Latinx Southwest region is the height of environmental injustice. The site is only a few miles from communities like Eunice and Hobbs, New Mexico, and the waste would flow through many densely populated communities of color on its way there.

I oppose Consolidated Interim Storage at this, and other sites. The NRC should protect public health and safety, the economy and the environment, by halting the application process and denying the license for Consolidated Interim Storage.

Sincerely,

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