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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.

Dear NRC Commissioners and Staff,

Interim Storage Project's application would lead to the import and storage of 40,000 tons of spent nuclear fuel from nuclear reactors around the country in Andrews County, Texas, for 40 years, or perhaps forever. This environmentally unjust plan and 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.

Nationwide, this plan would jeopardize the health and safety of millions of people unnecessarily due to risks from potential leaks, sabotage or transportation accidents.

Consolidated interim storage is an illegal band-aid approach to radioactive waste problems that fails to get the waste into permanent disposal for long-term isolation.

I am writing to submit a public comment in response to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Docket ID NRC-2018-0052) regarding Holtec International's application for a license to build and operate a "Consolidated Interim Storage Facility for Spent Nuclear Fuel and High Level Waste" (NUREG-2237).

I am strongly opposed to the Holtec storage proposal for several reasons:

the large risks of high-level radioactive contamination as a result of transportation.

Radioactive waste should be stored on reactor site in a fortified way such that it can be effectively monitored.

the potential for 8 states to be adversely affected by leaks of radioactive waste into the aquifer.

the absurd suggestion that the NM dump will be temporary and that the Yucca site that will be permanent.

Sincerely,

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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.

It's time to protect the land, air and water, wildlife, plant life and aquifers of this region and transport regions along the way.

I oppose Consolidated Interim Storage at this, and other sites. The DEIS fails to adequately analyze environmental and cumulative impacts and the socioeconomic risks of the proposed radioactive waste storage application. 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.

Thank you,

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