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General Comment

The current proposed rule changes for decommissioning nuclear power plants place public and environmental safety below the interest of the nuclear industry and abdicate the regulatory responsibility of the NRC to ensure that decommissioning is carried out safely and effectively. The proposed rules must be revised to prioritize protection of people and the environment--including opportunities for interested stakeholders, state authorities, and workers to be engaged in the specific planning in their area, as well as robust emergency preparedness planning and financial guarantees to ensure the industry is able to carry out decommissioning carefully and safely.