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Dear Secretary,

It has been learned that the Department of Energy and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission wish to dispose of radioactive waste by recycling it into a myriad of consumer products. Instead of storing it or disposing of it responsibly, they have elected to profit from it by using it to make new items (for we the consumers) without even displaying any possible danger on warning labels. Even the tobacco industry gives us a warning concerning the danger involved in the use of its product.

I owe my life to the use of radiation, but I have learned from experience that radiation exacts a toll for every bit of help it may offer. I will suffer from radiation exposure for the rest of my life.

The NRC is requesting public comment on assumptions and estimates of radiation doses from materials made with recycled radioactive steel, aluminum and concrete. My comment is "NO dose is acceptable." People who work with radio active materials are taught to avoid exposure as much as possible. That rule should go for the public, too. Exposure should definitely not be increased through industry-backed rulemaking. Too many Americans have suffered from such cockeyed decisions made by those who preside in so-called, trustworthy positions. Let the consumers make this decision.

Sincerely,

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