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SUBJECT: Comments on Docket ID NRC-2020-0065

I oppose the Very Low Level Waste (VLLW) proposal to allow nuclear power waste to be disposed of in regular municipal trash landfills or hazardous waste sites. The proposal is a Very Large Lie - not Very Low Level--in fact, the levels are very high!

To make nuclear power, huge amounts of soil, concrete, equipment, plastic, components and more were made radioactive--some Very Long Lasting. Under the proposal those radioactive materials are destined for my community’s trash landfill.

Do NOT let that radioactive waste come to my or any regular solid waste site.

There’s no such thing as a safe level of radioactivity. The NRC claims only very "low levels" of radioactive waste will be disposed of with regular trash, but there *is* no safe level of radioactivity and the level they propose is actually higher than for licensed dumps! At the proposed level, 1 in every 500 people will get cancer if exposed over their lifetimes.

The NRC is also taking this action behind the backs of the American people, under the cover of the COVID-19 crisis. Their proposal would allow regular trash landfills to start taking nuclear waste without their surrounding communities knowing or having input. This is simply unacceptable.

Cancel this proposed change immediately. In the alternative, put this proposal on hold until the end of the COVID-19 global pandemic. Then begin a new comment period six months following the end of the COVID-19 crisis in order for the public to provide informed comments about this outrageous proposal.

Sincerely,