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1 MS. TERRY: My name is Susan Terry. And in the first
place, [I don't think that there should be nuclear energy when you
don't know what you are going to do with the waste in the first place.]

2 And [I would like to just touch on the idea of interim
storage, which I know has been ruled out, but I know it's going to be
brought up again, which is very very scary to me. Why should Nevada
and all the states that the waste will pass through be put at greater
risk because another state is fearful of their waste? We are fearful
of their waste and we don't generate the waste.]

3 [It's bad enough that the nuclear waste dump is going to
be rammed down our throats, but lowering the standards in order to
make Yucca Mountain qualify is adding insult to injury. Nevada is
almost as far away as one can get from the generators of the waste,
and the transportation of it is very very scary.

The dump isn't even legally owned by the government, and
it's on two earthquake faults. The government has lied to us numerous
numerous times. And we're not going to believe them now concerning
our safety either.]

4 [I'd like to see a reasonable no action alternative put
forward, and I'd like to see other sites studied rather than this site
which doesn't have anything to do with nuclear waste.]

I'd like to just quote just a little bit from a letter
that was written by Chief Seattle in about 1852.

"Every part of this earth is sacred to
my people. Every shining pine needle, every
sandy shore, every mist in the dark woods,
every meadow, every humming insect, all are
holy in the memory and experience of my people.
The rivers are our brothers. They quench our
thirst, they carry our canoes and feed our
children. So you must give to the rivers the
kindness you would give to any brother. The
air is precious to us. That the air shares
its spirit with all life it supports.

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"Will they remain untainted? Will you teach your children we have taught our children, that the earth is our mother? What befalls the earth befalls all sons of the earth. This we know: The earth does not belong to man. Man belongs to the earth. And all things are connected like the blood that unites us all. Man did not weave the web of life. He is merely a strand in it. Whatever he does to the web he does to himself."

Please don't do this to us.