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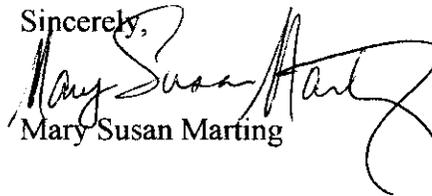
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Dear Ms. Dixon,

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We were very disappointed to learn of the Department of Energy's plan to transport nuclear waste through our community. The nuclear waste needs to be disposed of on site, limiting the risks of exposure. Also, the power plants should be responsible for paying for their own waste disposal, just as we pay for our own waste disposal. It is outrageous to think that the taxpayers should carry the financial burden for this dangerous plan. Although some believe the casks that carry the fuel rods are safe, others have argued that they are not, and the event of accident or foul play could be disastrous. It is our belief that a fifty year policy on something so uncertain is reckless. Until a panel of experts unanimously declares that nuclear waste can be safely transported, it must be kept on site. The risk of transporting through populated areas is not worth it. Even in unpopulated areas, the risk to the environment is too uncertain. Please reconsider your decision on this matter.

Sincerely,



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