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--->I am concerned about the transportation of nuclear spent fuel to Yucca Mtn. It appears that the only modes of transport are by truck and rail. Why haven't planners considered using barge as a feasible alternative? My thinking is for those nuclear plants near key waterways on the east coast [Gulf of Mexico, Atlantic Ocean] waste shipments could be handled by barge routes traveling thru the Panama Canal and stopping in San Diego, CA. From San Diego a truck or rail connection could be made allowing transfer to Nevada. My barge proposal circumvents the probability of accident when traveling across the continental US by truck or rail. If barge represents the lowest risk it should be considered a feasible transport alternative.