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Dear Ms. Dixon:

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the transport of Nuclear Waste to the Yucca Mountain site.

My wife and I attended your evening meeting at the Holiday Inn in Cleveland, January 28, 00.

I realize your department is under an almost mandate to do something from Congress. I don't trust our legislatures motivations.

I am not an active activist although I do write letters on occasions I feel strongly toward such as this.

1 At the Jan 28th meeting I asked what the ~~criteria~~ criteria was for safe "corridors of transport" for this nuclear material. Your answer was: "There is none." That answer is not very assuring.

2 The way I understand your presentation is as follows: Transport by truck VIA I 90 W to 271 S to 71 S to I 80 W (OHIO TURNPIKE) This route would allow one unit per truckload to find its WAY in and out of Ohio.

Please be aware that 271 SW has an express lane starting at its eastern entry going well past RT 87 possibly to Rt 480. Also be alert to the fact that this is a high accident / congested area.

I doubt that the truck transport will be your method of choice since you will be limited,

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to only one unit per bed load.

3 I believe you will be using the railroad more. I would like to point out that you would not only be transporting through greater Cleveland but also Lakewood, Ohio which is the fifth most densely populated area between New York City and Chicago. These trains will travel the entire length of Lakewood at distances of less than 50 feet ~~of~~ of residences bed rooms. Add to this that most of the rail bed is not fenced and easily accessed.

4 The Ohio Department of Transportation's representive's presentation was even less assuring than your proposals. He left me with the feeling that no matter what the conditions are this thing is going to happen — True? Is it?

5 In closing, let us all be reasonable individuals and sit down together again and think this out thoroughly and as close to absolutely ~~sa~~ safe as humanly possible.

I believe to use a temporary, disputed site such as Yucca Mountain is ill planned. This whole thing is wrong headed.

6 My final suggestion is to stop generating the waste from nuclear power plants. Shut them down — as soon as ~~possible~~ possible.

cc: DENNIS KUCINICH CONGRESSMAN
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~~Yours~~ Yours in good health

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I agree with all of the above!

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