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MR. RAY: Ellis Ray; I'm a resident of Fontana, California. I came here today, and I thought, boy as a Native American, I'm really going to oppose this. And then I heard some enlightening information. We crashed a truck at 84 miles an hour in the cement thing, and the casket didn't rupture, so, boy, I really feel safe. I can go to sleep now. But then I started to think, hum, maybe this is the same person that NBC used and "Dateline" used to test the rollover factor of the Ford SUV. Now I'm really confused. I really need more information, because this is really confusing me.

And then I'm told that we are going to transport this by rail or by truck, and Marjorie Mikels and I and several other activists in the community, we attended a San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors meeting, and we were told we are going to build an Intermodal Transport Center in Fontana. But, no, it's not going to have nuclear waste going through it. Yeah, right.

I am sure I was really told the truth there. Because this -- and I will clean it up. This junk is coming up the Alameda Corridor, right from the harbor. Oh no, we don't have anything.

Well, my wife and I several years ago had a chance to take a little vacation. We went down to Long Beach harbor and took a little harbor cruise. And there were these ships with the nuclear sign on them. And I asked the gentleman, I said, "What are those?"

He said, "Oh, those are -- gee, I really don't know. Excuse me. I am a really very ignorant person; I only attended college seven years, but I'm not going to throw my credentials around because I am sure nobody would be impressed."

So I happen to live in Fontana, and I live right in the triangle. I am going to be one mile from either I-15 or I-10. Just south of I-10 runs a railroad track. In case we do happen to have a little nuclear spill or an accident, I am going to be within the radiation area. But then again, I was really glad to hear that I might not be one of the 31 people that's going to be French fried.

1 Then also, I do have a question. I notice that this is the 21st meeting that you had. I happen to have a little network of people that I correspond with all over the United States. And I happen to correspond with some people in Missouri. And we'd like to know -- I'd like to know -- what's the timeline that we are going to start shipping this stuff? I heard 2010, 2007. It seems to me in St. Louis they heard it was 2004.

I have a group of legislators, federal legislators from the State of Missouri that I am going to submit their names in writing to Congressman Baca when he gets back to Washington, D.C. that are adamantly opposed to this transportation through their state, let alone our state.

2 And then there was another thing I was reading. We got this beautiful slick printed copy, and it said: "Oh, the department, however, recognizes Native American tribes in the region, to consider the intrusive nature of repository and continuation of restrictions on access to lands where the repository would be located, to have an adverse impact on all elements of nature and physical environment and to their way of living within the environment."

But you know what? I think you forgot a line. It should -- the next line should say, "But do we give a damn?" Because nobody really cares. It seems to me, maybe we should change Yucca Mountain to Kosovo, because that's what it looks to me like what you are doing with the native people, my native brothers here, is nothing but ethnic cleansing. And as Sister Helen said, this crap has got to stop.

3 And my last thing is -- I will say two more things, and I will say a little saying. Sure, you can trust your government. Ask my brothers and sisters here (indicating). And I do wish to ask that they do extend the deadline, as my brother Corbin says.

Thank you very much.

MS. SWEENEY: Thank you, sir.

FACILITATOR HOLMES: Thank you.

Okay, Bob Nelson. Melson? Carol Miller? Gary Negin?