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Dear Dr. Summerson,

I must respond to your "Supplement to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for a Geologic Repository... at Yucca Mountain." It is such a dangerous plan for many reasons.

1. Shipping the waste is dangerous and unnecessary. Transport accidents DO happen. Two recent such accidents were in the news in May alone—one in Webster Groves, Missouri on May 31 and one in Ohio on May 15. In that Ohio incident, the runaway train Did include some hazardous materials!]

Furthermore, we all know that accidents too numerous to mention occur on our highways no matter how careful people are. (that's why they're called accidents!)

2. Crazy people like terrorists may try to steal a shipment causing any variety of dangerous scenarios. That danger exists no matter how you try to minimize it with armed escorts.]

3. Yucca Mountain is geologically inappropriate for many reasons—mainly that it is porous. But anywhere one puts something within the earth, it will shift and move. So why do something so dangerous when the end result isn't yet a good logical solution.]

4. So please do not compound the problem of what to do with nuclear waste by just moving it from one place to another. Shipping it is much too dangerous and certainly not a solution. Please do NOTHING until you can find, if possible, a true and good solution.]

5. I trust that you are concerned to do the best possible alternative, so please give serious consideration to doing nothing until that can be determined. Getting the problem out of sight is not the solution!]

Respectfully,

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