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Yucca Mountain Supplement to the Draft EIS:

1... I presume from the DOE's extension of the "public's" comment period, that the DOE has changed its "standard" for letting the gullible public discuss, even though Nuclear Power is still expensive, still dirty and still dangerously deadly – but at least giving the "public" the opportunity to state that they are willing to agree, that even though nuclear power is the largest managerial disaster in business history, we'll not only accept by signing on to this disaster, but we will agree that dying is worth it.

Since the public has already picked up the tab on the mounting stockpile of deadly radioactive waste that is ~~generated~~ generated by the fission process, the public must carry on!

Since Nevada is the third most active region in the country for earthquakes, in 1992 DOE got Congress to write an exemption for Yucca Mountain, so they (DOE) did not have to meet the weak standard already in place

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Experience with nuclear technology reveals it to be incredibly expensive, dirty and dangerous, with a legacy that we and future generations will have to deal with, essentially forever. The nuclear industry and its supporters are attempting to emotionally blackmail citizens into deepening their commitment to nuclear power. But the issues surrounding nuclear power are much more complex than the current simplistic arguments being made in its behalf.

The U.S. 123 commercial nuclear power plants (some of which are already closed down), are expected to contribute 1.4 million to 2 million tons of radioactive scrap metal to the heap. On top of that a recent government report noted that over the next few decades more than a million tons of radioactive scrap metal are expected to be recovered from weapons facilities.

DOE, et al have known for fifty years the deadliness of nuclear power and they are now pushing their theory of hormesis - that a little radiation is actually healthy because it boosts the immune system - I've written often that we ought to bury all this radiation stuff

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in the Pentagon, and make sure that those elected officials "working" in the capitol, are regularly shown their pile of radioactive materials and the benefits of being exposed to them!

Sincerely,
Louise Hess

P.S. When Richard Meserve, the NRC chairman, said in January that releasing contaminated solid waste materials (?) into every day commerce is necessary to ensure the continuing viability of the nuclear power industry as well as DOE's clean-ups, he is forecasting the death of our planet and the inhabitants of that planet. What then! We're not discussing some pissant undertakings! Who is going to inherit this dead earth?