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I understand that the US Department of Energy (DOE) is releasing radioactive material from its nuclear weapons complexes across the country. DOE has entered a precedent-setting contract, at Oak Ridge, TN that could release over 100,000 tons of radioactively contaminated nickel, steel scrap and copper. The metal would go to metal processing facilities, then to product manufacturers with no warning, labeling, notification or consent from potentially exposed workers or future owners of the products. DOE sends some out without processing. Any items made from these metals could be contaminated. This action violates the National Environmental Policy Act and I am worried that this will cause harm to our environment where we live.

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I already have breast cancer, which is at epidemic proportions. I believe this to be caused by the contamination of our air, water and earth from pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers, wastes and the massive use of plastics and chemicals. I will have to undergo radiation treatments, which have their own side-effects and consequences because this is the standard procedure. However, I would not like to see my children being exposed to radioactive materials, especially without their full knowledge and consent.

Please tell the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and the Department of Energy (DOE) that they should not be allowed to recycle radioactive waste into household products on moral grounds.

Sincerely,
Debby Bruck

I found this information on the web site below:

<http://www.nirs.org/recycle/recyclehome.htm>

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