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Sir/Madam:

I'm writing to urge you to work to prohibit radioactive wastes and materials from entering the consumer marketplace, landfills, & incinerators.

I'm concerned that current laws allow the nuclear industry to pass on waste materials to recyclers, who in turn manufacture consumer goods that may contain some radioactive materials. According to the Nuclear Information and Resource Service, for example, the state of Tennessee is licensing and permitting private companies to process and "release" into commerce radioactive materials, including metals, lead and asphalt, usually with no public hearings, notification, or warning.

We hear a lot from elected officials (whom I have already contacted) about their concern for "the future of our children" and the need for improved healthcare, in general. Meanwhile, nuclear industries actually profit from practices that jeopardize both.

Please attend to the following:

- 1) keep radioactive wastes and materials from nuclear power and weapons isolated from the public and the environment, and prohibit any "releases" from regulatory control,
- 2) prohibit radiatioactive materials from entering the consumer marketplace or anywhere but licensed radioactive facilities,
- 3) recapture that which has been released, and
- 4) work for an International Prohibition on radioactive "release."

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,
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