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Nuclear Regulatory Commission 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, MD 20852



To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my concern with the practice of recycling radioactively contaminated scrap metal from former nuclear weapons plants. I am urging the NRC to reconsider the idea of setting standards that would set allowable radiation levels for recycled radioactive waste due to the serious health risk to the public. This risk is based on the toxicity of even low-level radiation and the difficulties inherent in measuring radioactivity in these materials.

Sincerely,

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