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The NRC's "confidence" that on-site storage for 120 years (60 during reactors operations, 60 after reactor shutdown) is safe and secure would be laughable, if it weren't so seriously wrong. 120 years is half as long as the United States has been an independent country (1776 to 2012, 236 years). A lot can go wrong in 120 years. NRC's consideration of 200 to 300 years of on-site storage is even more preposterous. This is not "interim" or "temporary" on-site storage. This is de facto permanent on-site storage, in any common understanding of the term.

Nuclear waste takes an awful long time to become "safe" if ever, and people who live near such terrible accidents have to move very far away ... if they do not want to die from radioactive poisoning.

We should invest in SAFE renewables such as solar and wind. President Obama has thought about a solar plant in the U.S. Southwest because of all the sunlight received by this area.

Please! Wake up! Do the safe thing. Solar is cheap, renewable all of the time, controllable. If something should go awry, the PV-1 plates for the collection of solar energy can be easily destroyed and once destroyed any danger of solar energy running amok is destroyed too.

Please be rational about nuclear waste. You can make as much money off of solar and still remain alive.

Thank you.

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