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**Subject:** Response to RFI on Private Initiatives to Develop Consolidated SNF Storage Facilities

I am writing to oppose privately owned facilities for the interim storage of commercial radioactive waste. Private companies are interested in profit and they will be making a profit here at public expense. Though they will be subsidized by taxpayers, they will not be accountable to them and will likely try to cut costs to maximize their profit. Cost cutting could result in safeguard cutting. Materials that will be toxic for millennia should not be short-changed as far as safety is concerned, especially when the drinking water of millions may be put at risk.

There will be multiple, continuing shipments, mostly from the eastern portion of the U.S. if this proposal goes through. These shipments could be a terrorist's dream opportunity.

The U.S. needs a permanent repository for its high-level nuclear waste. I fear that the proposed interim storage could turn into permanent storage at a location that endangers an aquifer and does not meet criteria for permanent storage. This is yet another delay for a problem that needs a prompt and permanent solution. We now have a mountain of nuclear waste 70 years high.

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