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Dear Carol Hanlon:

In addition to the Yucca Mountain site having geological problems for long term storage of nuclear waste...

And in addition to the sentiment of "not in my backyard" (Trains would travel through our (my) community and other congested areas of Metropolitan St. Louis. This spring 14 cars derailed scarcely two blocks from my home.) ...

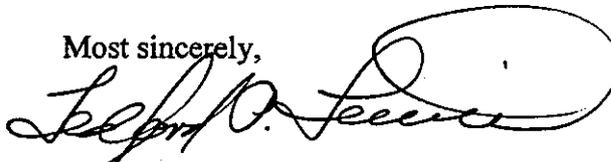
And furthermore, since there is a potential reported for volcanic action at Yucca Mountain...

And since our community and other communities along the route are not equipped to handle emergency radioactive happenings...

As well as the added threat to communities by terrorist actions of waste in motion...

This is my urgent plea: Leave nuclear wastes where they originated.

Most sincerely,



Tedford P. Lewis

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