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I am briefly writing you to object to the ill-conceived idea of "temporarily" storing highly-irradiated spent nuclear fuel at a parking lot dump somewhere (probably Texas or New Mexico). This bad idea would cause this extremely hazardous cargo to be transported twice - once to the parking lot, and once to the permanent dump, assuming one is eventually approved. We believe it is better to improve local storage methods on-site and develop as scientifically sound as possible permanent disposal facility.

Succumbing to NIMBY pressure to move high-level nuclear waste is not a good start to dealing with the tragically large amounts of this material, already more than the amount that could have been held by the cancelled Yucca Mountain project, that have been generated since the development of nuclear power in the United States. It is time to follow the electricity market signals and phase out nuclear energy, replacing it with carbon-free alternatives as nations such as Germany and Switzerland are doing.

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