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Dear Ms. Dixon,

1... I strongly object to nuclear waste being dumped in Yucca Mountain for many reasons.

2 First, I feel that this would have a negative influence on the entire economy of Las Vegas and lower our property values. People will not want to live in or travel to this area. Las Vegas thrives on tourism and would surely suffer greatly by the loss of these monies.

3 Secondly, the risks to health and life are unacceptable due to the possible contamination of the groundwater and our environment. Your own evaluation states transportation of this material will result in approx. 18 latent deaths a year. Any number of deaths per year related to this disposal of nuclear waste is completely unacceptable.

4 Thirdly, there are too many unknown variables as to what effect this potential pollution problem will have on the future. An good example of this is the way that plutonium at the test site has traveled one mile from its' test crater. It is inconceivable how large an area will be effected over a period of ten thousand years. This is also unacceptable.

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cont. In conclusion, I feel confident that in the future the advances made in technology will provide a more practical solution for the disposal of nuclear waste. Nevada did not create this problem and should not be used as a dumping ground. Especially since the consequences of this act would be extreme and long lasting.

Sincerely,



Michael Anthony Dias