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Dear Mr. Dixon,

Please consider the ramifications of what is being proposed. This rail line is a stone's throw from churches, schools and a densely populated residential area (2). We are talking about hundreds & hundreds of people who live, work & play very near this rail line. We live & exist in an historic district with a well used rail station by the population.

Our voices must be heard. Routing this material through Kirkwood would be a very poor, ill-advised decision. Sincerely,  
Ann Kallita Feible  
Music Director & life long resident of Kirkwood ①

# Write Today To Oppose Nuclear Waste Transports

(1) The U.S. Department of Energy has extended the time for hearings regarding the shipment of nuclear waste through the heart of our cities — Webster, Glendale, Oakland, Kirkwood, Maplewood, St. Louis and Metropolitan East St. Louis — from Feb. 9 to Feb. 28.

In the Feb. 4 issue, the publisher of this truly outstanding community paper spoke of the hazards to our communities that would be imposed on us by the proposed shipments. Debra Wilson requested letters be sent to the Department of Energy (DOE) giving its address. An open letter to Energy Secretary Bill Richardson from State Rep. Catherine S. Enz pleaded that the shipments not pass metropolitan areas. Mayor Gerry Welch of Webster Groves is organizing the leaders of our communities to submit protests to the DOE.

Hundreds of people have testified against the shipment of wastes through this area — or even at all. At one session of the public hearings only three persons spoke supporting the program — all were big money interests that would benefit by getting the problem off their hands, or by being a shipping contractor.

Six thousand shipments for 30 years to concentrate the waste in a "geological repository" for irradiated waste in an area that has not been found to be unreservedly free of seismic disturbance. The "shelf-life" of this material, the period for which it would remain hazardous, would far exceed the written history of this planet! There are many sociological concerns as well as practical concerns of this hair-raising idea. In the event of an accident, sabo-

tage, terrorism, are local emergency services available? Where do we move? At whose expense? //

Please write, even if you say little more than "This person speaks my mind." Every letter counts. Some research shows that each letter represents the voices of at least 10 who did not write.

Write today! Address letters to:

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