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Gentlemen:

I own four pieces of property in Las Vegas, I pay taxes in Las Vegas, my ancestor was one of the first fifty people to settle Las Vegas, and most important of all - I live in Las Vegas.

I DO NOT WANT A NUCLEAR DUMP IN MY BACK YARD!!!!

First of all, it would make a prime terrorist target.

Second - there would always be danger of explosion.

Third - There would be seepage underground. (And we are not too far away from California earthquake zone, remember).

Fourth - It would discourage people from coming here to live, discourage them from investing here and settling here.

Fifth - It would ruin property values.

Then there is the danger of nuclear waste being trucked here and while in the process of being transported here, exploding or turning over on the highway and contaminating the whole area resulting in such horrible health hazard and publicity that no one would ever want to come here again. (All it takes would be one such accident).

I also remind you that there has been an awful lot of money and wealth invested here. Not just the casinos and big corporations, but a tremendous influx of wealthy people from all over the country who have invested untold fortunes of money here. If you want to do risky experiments, I suggest you do them in a poorer neighborhood.

For all these reasons - I do not want this garbage in my back yard. Take it somewhere else or pay some poor foreign country to accept it.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Anita May Pavlo DeLkin Ladd West