

Sent by Email to The Chancellor of Austria

22nd October 2014

Dear Chancellor Faymann,

Radiation Free Lakeland is a voluntary group in Cumbria, UK campaigning for the safe containment of nuclear waste rather than the current practise of "diluting and dispersing to the environment".

We fully support your challenge to the EC and agree that 'Alternative forms of energy are worthy of subsidies, not nuclear energy,'

Please see attached images of how nuclear waste at Sellafield is being 'looked after'. The images have been sent to Radiation Free Lakeland anonymously. They show a neglect that would be worthy of the most dilapidated scrap yard. We are confident that the images are genuine and that they date from 2006 to 2013. The architecture in the images is that of the first generation Magnox Pond. One of the images has the Windscale Pile reflected in the water. Through the pond water can be seen what looks like magnox fuel rod ends and radioactive debris in a state of chaos, with seagulls nesting alongside and floating on top of the pond water.

We suspect that the industry plan to "recycle" as much as it can of the rusting radioactive metal wastes seen here in the photographs by "cleaning the metal" up at Studsvik (Near Workington, Cumbria) and selling onto the open market for manufacture into pots and pans, or other metal goods. Sellafield cannot look after the waste that is accumulating on site. Therefore the ONLY public subsidy to the nuclear industry should be to ensure that the existing waste at Sellafield is not dispersed to the environment as is currently happening through "decommissioning."

Thank you for challenging the Hinkley C decision. The first step to a solution to the nuclear waste problem is to stop making it. If Hinkley C is not stopped, this would smooth the way for the plan for "the biggest nuclear development in Europe,' Moorside, right next to what is already the most dangerous and ever increasing nuclear dump in Europe, Sellafield.

Yours sincerely, Marianne Birkby,

on behalf of Radiation Free Lakeland, 8 Chelsea Court, Milnthorpe, Cumbria, LA7 7DJ 015395 63671 cc Members of the EU

References:

Radiation Free Lakeland

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Austria will take the EC to the European Court of Justice

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Studsvik

http://www.wcssg.co.uk/about-the-sites/studsvik

EDF seeking deregulation for "decommissioning" ie dispersal to the environment

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Biggest Nuclear Development in Europe

https://you.38degrees.org.uk/petitions/stop-moorside-biggest-nuclear-development-in-europe