

TM (NWTRB Panel Mtg) [8a Tues 9, Wed 10 March, '04 (CROWN PLAZA, LAS)]  
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Public Comment ~

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• IT'S BEEN SAID: 'ALL SCIENCE IS HYPOTHETICAL, UNTIL AND UNLESS CONCLUSIVELY PROVEN OTHERWISE'; ~ INCLUDING YOUR EXHAUSTIVELY DEMANDING STUDIES' AND 'WORK-PRODUCT', (IF ANY). THIS IS NERVE-WRACKING! ~ DO YOU MIND IF I SMOKE? ~ (PRODUCE CIGARETTE AND LIGHTER; POISONED) ~ (CHAIRMAN: ~ SMOKING IS NOT ALLOWED!)

THANK YOU! YOU'VE JUST ESTABLISHED THE UNPRECEDENTED STANDARD FOR THE RELEASE OF SECOND HAND SMOKE WITHIN THESE MEETING PREMISES, HERE AT THE NWTRB'S CROWN PLAZA MOUNTAINS, SO TO SPEAK. AND IT TOOK YOU LESS THAN A MICRO-NANO SECOND! ~

BUT HOW DID YOU ARRIVE AT THAT IMPORTANT SCIENTIFIC CONCLUSION WITHOUT REVIEWING ALL OF THE RELEVANT TECHNICAL FACTORS THAT DO OR MAY APPLY? ~ FOR EXAMPLE: ~

• HOW LONG WOULD IT TAKE FOR A SECOND HAND SMOKE MOLECULE TO TRAVEL THE DISTANCE FROM THE SMOKER TO THE NEAREST HUMAN RECEPTOR? ~ OR THE FURTHEST? .. OR TO ALL THOSE IN BETWEEN? ~ AND HOW DID YOU MAKE THAT DETERMINATION? ~ DID YOU RELY ON 'BROWN'S LAW' FOR GASEOUS DIFFUSION WITHIN A CLOSED CONTAINER? ~

BUT THIS MEETING'S PREMISES ISN'T A 'PERFECT VACUUM'; ~ (ALTHOUGH SOME THINK IT IS, ~ WHILE OTHERS THINK IT'S AN INFERMIABLE 'TREADMILL' IN PRECIPITOUS DECLINE TOWARD AN ULTIMATE 'END-STATE' OF SELF- AND MUTUAL CONFIRMATION, AND TERMINAL NON-VISIBILITY, ~)

BUT RATHER ~ AND IN SIMILE TO THE 'OTHER' GRIZZLY MOUNTAIN, ~ IT'S 'COMPRISED OF A PROLIFERATION OF 'FAST PATHWAYS' AND 'INFINITE DENSITIES' NATURALLY-ORDERED AS IN A STATE OF VARIABLE DYNAMIC FLUX, EVOLVING IN CONTINUUM, FROM ITS INCEPTION AND TO DATE INCLUSIVELY, AND, FORESEEABLY, FOR THE REST OF HUMAN/GELOGIC TIME, IN BOTH ITERATIONS.

ADMITTEDLY, ~ SMOKING IS DANGEROUS TO HUMAN HEALTH, AND SO ARE TOXIC RADIONUCLIDES. AND DEATH IS IRREVERSIBLE, AND FEW WOULD ARGUE OTHERWISE.

COMES NOW A SERIES OF PERTINENT QUESTIONS FOR THOSE SELF-EVIDENT AS SECURELY CONFUSED BETWEEN A WELDED TUFF AND A HARD PLACE, WITH THE REMINDER THAT YOUR FEDERALLY-IMMUNIZED CHARTER AND BY-LAWS DO NOT REQUIRE YOU TO RESPOND TO TECHNICAL SCIENTIFIC QUERIES FROM THE INTERESTED AND AFFECTIONED PUBLIC: ~ TO WHIT: ~

- 'WHAT'S' THE DEADLIEST TOXIC RADIONUCLIDE CONTAINED IN HIGH LEVEL NUCLEAR WASTE? ~
- 'WHAT'S' THE TOTAL CUMULATIVE TERM OF RADIOACTIVE HALF-LIVES OF THE LONGEST-LIVED AND DEADLIEST TOXIC RADIONUCLIDE CONTAINED IN HIGH LEVEL NUCLEAR WASTE? ~
- 'WHAT'S' THE ARBITRARILY-IMPOSED AS FEDERALLY-MANDATED TERM OF SECURE CONTAINMENT OF HIGH LEVEL NUCLEAR WASTE WITHIN AN UNDERGROUND REPOSITORY?
- 'WHERE'S' THE ACCURATE, COMPLETE AND INVARIABLE FOUR(4)-DIMENSIONAL HYDRO GEOLOGIC MAP OF THE UNDERGROUND ENVIRONMENT BEYOND THE YUCCA MOUNTAIN REGIONAL AREA AND ALL OF SOUTHERN NEVADA?
- 'WILL' THE DEADLIEST AND LONGEST-LIVED TOXIC RADIONUCLIDES INEVITABLY BE RELEASED, MOBILIZED AND TRANSPORTED FROM AN UNDERGROUND REPOSITORY INTO AND THROUGHOUT THE HUMAN-ACCESSIBLE UNDERGROUND ENVIRONMENT AND THE AMBIENT BIOSPHERE?

and, by extrapolation, ~ do you concur with the reasonable conclusion THAT:-

- \* ON NATURALLY-ORDERED AXIOMATIC GROUNDS, ~ it's SCIENTIFICALLY AND TECHNICALLY 'impossible' TO 'guarantee' THE SAFE, SECURE, HUMANS-INTUSSION-IMPERVIOUS, 'PERMANENT' UNDERGROUND STORAGE OF HIGH LEVEL NUCLEAR WASTE, BY ANY COMBINATION OF NATURAL AND ARTIFICIAL MEANS, EITHER AT YUCCA MOUNTAIN, NEVADA, OR ELSEWHERE NATIONALLY, OR ANYWHERE ON THE PLANET! ~ ?

CONSEQUENTLY: ~

- \* THE UNDERGROUND EMPLACEMENT OF HIGH LEVEL NUCLEAR WASTE CONSTITUTES THE DIRECT INJECTION OF DEADLY TOXIC RADIONUCLIDES INTO AND THROUGHOUT THE HUMAN-ACCESSIBLE ENVIRONMENT, WHERE IT'S DESTINED TO CAUSE THE ILLNESS, INJURY AND DEATH OF THOUSANDS OF AS YET UNKNOWN FUTURE GENERATIONS, AND, ~ULTIMATELY, ~IS POTENTIALLY CAUSAL OF THE PREMATURE EXTINCTION OF HUMAN CONSCIOUSNESS ITSELF! ?? ~  
AND ITS VICTIMS WILL NOT BE 'ALIENS FROM A DISTANT PLANET', OR 'STRANGERS FROM A FOREIGN LAND'; BUT RATHER, AND INEVITABLY, ~ THEIR WILL BE OUR OWN PROGENY, FOR THOUSANDS OF GENERATIONS TO COME, AND THEREAFTER: ~ WE SHALL HAVE BEEN THE PURPORTEDLY 'ADVANCED', SOPHISTICATED' CURRENT GENERATIONS OF AMERICA'S INDELIBLY SELF-LABELLED AS HAVING OXYMORONICALLY FAILED OURSELVES, EACH OTHER, AND POSTERITY, ~ IN SIGHT OF ALMIGHTY GOD!

Therefore, THE FUNDAMENTAL CRUX ISSUE THAT PERMEATES THESE MEETINGS AND PROCEEDINGS TO DATE AND IN PROJECTION, ISN'T ABOUT NUCLEAR WASTE, PER SE, BUT, ~ AND OF GREATER SIGNIFICANCE AND ENDURING IMPACTIVE CONSEQUENCE, ~ CONCERNING THE HUMAN CAPACITY TO REASON, AND

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THE Quotient of Integrity, notwithstanding the federally-mandated mission; ~ AND,  
ADDIE ALL IN Conscience, ~ in sight of a Supreme Being, ~ on the deeply personal and  
introspective individual level, as well as on the human universal scale. ~ AND THERE  
IS A HISTORIC PRECEDENT FOR THAT IMPORTANT DECISION-MAKING PROCESS; ~

- MORE THAN SIXTY (60) YEARS AGO, THE IMPRESSIVELY UNIFORMED, WELL-EDUCATED, AND SEEMingly  
INNOCUOUS AND BENIGN SS OFFICER, ADOLPH EICHMANN, ~ WHO NEVER PERSONALLY FORCED  
ANYONE INTO A CONCENTRATION CAMP, A GAS CHAMBER OR AN OVEN, BUT WHO HUNDREDS OF MILES  
DISTANT AND TEMPORALLY REMOVED FROM THE GHASTLY SCALE OF MAN'S INHUMANITY TO MAN, ~  
NEVERTHELESS DUTIFULLY SIGNEd THE EXECUTIVE ORDER THAT CARRIED OUT THE UNWRITTEN BUT  
WIDELY RECOGNIZED WISH OF THE MANIAC FATHER, ~ WHICH RESULTED IN THE IGNominious DEATHS OF  
millions OF INNOCENT AND DEFENSELESS men, women and children IN THE HEINOUS GAS CHAMBERS AND  
Ovens IN THE DEATH CAMPS OF NAZI GERMANY.

BUT despite EICHMANN's protestations of 'innocence' AND THE FACT THAT HE WAS SIMPLY CARRYING OUT  
ORDERS FROM HIGHER AUTHORITY; ~ THE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL AT NUREMBERG RULED THAT  
'SEPARATION BY TIME AND DISTANCE' FROM THE CONSEQUENCES OF HIS OFFICIAL ACTION, AND THE  
'CARRYING-OUT OF AN IMMORAL ORDER WAS NOT A COMPETENT LEGAL DEFENSE FOR THE CRIME  
OF MASS GENOCIDE ON AN UNPRECEDENTED SCALE.

AND ADOLPH EICHMANN WAS FOUND 'GUILTY'; AND WAS HANGED BY THE NECK UNTIL DEAD.

AND, ~ IF YOU THINK THERE'S ANY SIGNIFICANT 'DIFFERENCE' BETWEEN THE NUCLEAR WASTE-ENTITLED  
PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, THE NAS, THE DOE, THE EPA, THE NRC, THE IRREN  
SUBJECT NWTRB AND ADOLPH EICHMANN AND HIS ETHNICALLY AND MORALLY BANKRUPT 'HIGHER  
AUTHORITY', ~ YOU'RE quite mistaken, AND IN FACT: ~

- YOU EACH AND ALL, ~ HOWEVER POST-HUMOUSLY AND IN-ABSENTIA, ~ WILL BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE,  
RESPONSIBLE, AND LIABLE FOR THE IMPATRIATE CONSEQUENCES OF YOUR OFFICIAL ACTS  
AND COMMISSIONS, ~ IN THE COUNT OF UNIVERSAL ABROAD OPINION, AND IN SIGHT OF  
ALMIGHTY GOD.

THANK you for your time and interest.

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