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Don't repeat the nuclear mistakes of the past—especially while New York is liable and threatened by the nuclear power waste from the first round of nuclear power in the 1960s and 70s! The Brattle Report doesn't even mention the massive NYS liabilities at the West Valley Nuclear Service Center, when it is the clearest warning and lesson not to make more nuclear waste.

Of all states, New York, and of all agencies, NYSERDA, should be well-aware of the enormous environmental and economic danger nuclear power poses to our residents, resources, and budget. The latest estimate for full clean-up of the West Valley nuclear waste site in Western New York, owned by NYSERDA, was nearly \$10 Billion in 2008 dollars.

Nuclear power waste from 1960s and 70s was brought to West Valley in Western New York from across the country and Puerto Rico for reprocessing and disposal, which failed, and is nowhere near cleaned up and may never be.

New York must regularly pay for and beg for federal support to keep the nuclear waste site from getting worse and for efforts to "clean up."

Because NYSERDA is so beholden to the federal Department of Energy for cleanup efforts at West Valley, the state reduces its own standards, just so some movement continues toward cleanup of this over-60-year old nuclear power waste.

Despite active ongoing efforts at containment, the massive inventory of long-lasting and intensely radioactive waste, largely from nuclear power in the 1960s and 70s, seriously threatens the Great Lakes and sole source aquifer.

More nuclear power means more high-level and so-called "low-level" nuclear waste and routine radioactive releases into the air, water, soil, food web and bio-regions. If we haven't isolated the waste from the first nuclear power in the nation's history—in fact it is our own liability—how can NY and NYSERDA even consider making more? Clean your mess before making a new one, NYSERDA!! The Brattle Report completely ignores this NYSERDA nuclear power legacy liability.

FYI: Report on what went to West Valley for reprocessing (1966-1972)—this does NOT include sources of the commercial and government waste that went to WV for burial in the State Licensed 14 trenches/ditches (1963-1975)

[Revised "Plutonium Recovery from Spent Fuel Reprocessing by Nuclear Fuel Services at West Valley, NY from 1966 to 1972."](#)

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