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I am concerned having nuclear waste in New Mexico because it had previously experienced nuclear fallout from nuclear testing at Ground Zero without telling New Mexico citizens. This impacted many people and killed some of New Mexicans through genetic and immune system damage, and cancer. An impact study has not recently been done whether the Waste Plant significantly increases genetic and cancer risk to New Mexico citizens, in addition to the hazard that already exists for its people. "Cancers in New Mexico are diagnosed at a lower rate with the exception of thyroid, liver, and ovarian. Survival is generally lower in New Mexico with 10 of the 14 cancers having worse survival in New Mexico." (NIH.gov) The public's health should have first priority over a business wanting to store hazardous waste that can hurt the public.