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National Grassroots Summit and Forum on Radioactive Waste Policy

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here is still time to register to attend the National Grassroots Summit and Forum on Radioactive Waste Policy! Limited travel stipends are available for folks coming from underrepresented regions who are in financial need, but please also ask your community to support your attendance!

In March, the Obama Administration announced the creation of its "Blue Ribbon Commission (BRC) on the Future of Nuclear Power in America," to "study and recommend" what the U.S. should do about its radioactive waste problems. Many of us are deeply disturbed by the make-up of this group and the content of its first meeting on March 25. So we have decided to hold a National Grassroots Summit and Forum on Radioactive Waste Policy--to articulate a national radioactive waste policy for the 350 million Americans the DOE Panel seems intent on ignoring. We invite you and your organizations to become a part of this creative process. If you cannot personally attend, consider sending another representative from your organization. Registration and secure online payments at: www.neis.org Who Should Attend: environmental and radioactive waste activists; residents of affected waste dump and decommissioning communities; those with interests in (spent) irradiated-fuel issues, dry-cask storage, reactor fuel reprocessing, waste transport, and the DOE Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Power Future; ED's and Board members of environmental groups; media members; legislators and officials The Forum: "A People's History of Radioactive Waste": Saturday, June 5, 1- 6 p.m. Educational programs on select topics informing the public about radioactive waste issues and what can be done about them. The Summit: Friday afternoon, Saturday morning /Sunday sessions Invitational sessions open for individuals and organizations already involved in radioactive waste and responsible energy policy issues, and those intending to become involved. Will create the "People's Green Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Waste Future," to research and report back environmentally responsible solutions to the waste problem. (Summit registrants have access to Forum and Saturday Night program at no additional charge) Special Saturday Night Program - Keynote speakers: Dr. Arjun Makhijani, president, Institute for Energy and Environmental Research (www.ieer.org) Jessy Tolkan, former executive director, Energy Action Coalition (invited; www.energyactioncoalition.org) Special Musical Offering: Victor McManemy Housing: single & double rooms available onsite (non-refundable after May 2nd) For info/registration: Nuclear Energy Information Service (NEIS) • (773)342-7650; -7655 fax neis@neis.org (**location only; not a sponsor) Brief Kerry-Lieberman bill update: More letters to

Senators are needed! If you haven't written your Senators yet, please do so now here. Look at this very partial list of supporters of this bill: Nuclear Energy Institute, Exelon, Constellation Energy, Duke Power, Entergy. Any doubt that this is the nuclear renaissance bill the industry has been wanting for years? We will have new analysis of the nuclear provisions of the bill (known as the American Power Act) for you soon. Hint: it's actually far worse than we've described so far. The nuclear industry will do everything it can to keep those nuclear provisions intact. We need to counter them with as many voices as possible. We need a lot more people weighing in. So if you haven't sent a letter yet, please do so here. If you haven't sent the link to a few friends, relatives or colleagues yet, please do so now and give them the opportunity to write their Senators if they wish. Here is the link: http://org2.democracyinaction.org/o/5502/p/dia/action/public/?action_KEY=3016 Please just copy that link and post it on your Facebook page and other networking sites. Please put it up on any blogs you write or comment on. The good news is that the vote margin on this bill is so slim, we can win this battle by convincing just a handful of Senators to take a stand. The louder we all speak, the easier that will be. No matter where you think your Senators may be on this issue, flooding their inboxes with letters helps--it really does. Thanks for all you do, Michael Mariotte Executive Director Nuclear Information and Resource

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