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**DPC LAUDS ADMINISTRATION PLAN TO REMOVE SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL AND WASTE FROM DECOMMISSIONED REACTOR SITES**

The Decommissioning Plant Coalition\* lauds today's announcement that the federal government embraces the recommendation of the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future to expeditiously remove spent fuel and Greater Than Class C Waste (GTCC) from the nation's permanently shut-down civilian reactor sites.

"This represents a great milestone in the history of our efforts to have the federal government begin to fulfill its contractual and legal obligations to remove this material from our communities where nuclear power generating activities have ceased," said Wayne Norton, executive spokesperson of the Coalition and President & CEO of Yankee Atomic Electric Company and Connecticut Yankee Atomic Power Company, and CNO of Maine Yankee Atomic Power Company.

"This recommendation advances the ability of the federal government to work with local stakeholders, our states, and with the Congress to finally move forward on establishing consolidated storage for this material and finally end the financial impact on our ratepayers and taxpayers to store the fuel and waste on site long after their responsibility should have ceased."

The Blue Ribbon Commission visited the Maine Yankee facility during its deliberations and its recommendation that the decommissioned sites be cleared of fuel and waste on a priority basis became one of its chief recommendations which was followed by numerous local, state, and Congressional endorsements and specific legislative proposals. The DPC now urges the Administration and Congress to immediately move to fully fund the implementation of this recommendation.

"The DPC will continue to work to foster support for the prompt removal of spent fuel and GTCC from our sites and will work with all our stakeholders to advance it," said Norton.

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