

USED FUEL AND HIGH-LEVEL WASTE MANAGEMENT – THE LONG AND WINDING ROAD–PANEL

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Progress on high-level radioactive waste (HLW) management in the United States ground to a halt in 2010 when the Yucca Mountain project was cancelled, and to date the HLW management program remains at a standstill. The issue of HLW disposition remains an anchor on the nuclear industry and a financial drain on the government. Since the administration has released some funding for Yucca Mountain, and since DOE is engaged in planning the defueling of spent fuel in storage at reactor sites, it is appropriate to continue to discuss the disposition of HLW. This panel will discuss the current and evolving status of geologic disposition and interim storage of used nuclear fuel and transportation of this material

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