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Push for No New Nukes

Nuclear power is neither safe nor clean. There is no such thing as a "safe" dose of radiation and just because n is invisible doesn't mean it's "clean."

If a meltdown were to occur, the accident could kill and injure tens of thousands of people, leaving large regions uninhabitable. And, more than 50 years after splitting the first atom, science has yet to devise a method for handling long lived radioactive wastes.

For years nuclear plants have been leaking radioactive waste from underground pipes and radioactive waste pools into ground water at sites across the nation.

In addition to being extremely dangerous, the continued greenwashing of nuclear power from industry-backed diverts investments away from clean, renewable sources of energy. In contrast to nuclear power, renewable energy is clean and safe. Technically accessible renewable energy sources are capable of producing six times more energy than global demand.

In order to save the future of our planet, we must continue to fight the expansion of nuclear power and instead promote clean, renewable sources of energy. Over the next three years Greenpeace will continue to:

1. Debunk the myth that nuclear provides a "green" source of electricity and detail the threats posed by reactors and the radioactive wastes they produce.
2. Expose the abysmal economics of new nuclear power.
3. Advocate for the permanent closure of the old, leaky Vermont Yankee nuclear power plant in 2012.

By working together to spread the truth, we can have a brighter, safer future.

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If the nuclear industry and Wall Street financiers are unwilling to assume the economic risk of constructing new plants, why should the American taxpayer?

The Department of Energy compared nuclear construction cost estimates to the actual final costs for 75 reactor cost estimate was \$45 billion. The actual cost was \$145 billion! Forbes magazine recognized that this "failure of nuclear power program ranks as the largest managerial disaster in business history, a disaster of monumental [more](#)

Disarmament

The Cold War may be over, but this does not mean nuclear weapons have disappeared. Far from it: There are thousands of nuclear weapons in the world, thousands on hair-trigger alert, with more than a third of them ready to launch on notice, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Over 400 reactors in warships and nuclear submarines are still circling the globe.

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Safety and Security

From the dawn of the nuclear age, it has been recognized that nuclear power and nuclear weapons are inextricably linked. The spread of nuclear technology and ultimately nuclear weapons undermines our national security and the security of the world. Add to that the very real risks of nuclear meltdown. If a meltdown were to occur, the accident could kill and injure thousands of people, leaving large regions uninhabitable. [Read more](#)

Nuclear Reports

A breakdown of nuclear energy related reports, publications, images and news. [Read more](#)

Chernobyl Anniversary

The Chernobyl catastrophe released 100 times more radiation than the atom bombs dropped over Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Yet many seem to just dismiss the accident as a part of history and forget what large doses of radiation actually do to people and the environment. The effects of Chernobyl touched millions of people and thousands still endure very visible and painful effects. [Read more](#)

Nuclear Victories

Greenpeace has been shouting about nuclear dangers for nearly forty years, beginning on September 15, 1971 when Greenpeace founders protested U.S. nuclear testing. Since then we have campaigned against both nuclear weapons and nuclear power by bearing witness in test zones, supplying scientific research and by conducting direct non-violent actions to call attention to the problem. [Read more](#)

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