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22 MS. OLSON: My name is Geraldine Olson,  
23 O-L-S-O-N. I'm opposed to having it here. Nevadans don't  
24 like to be railroaded, and we certainly have been  
25 railroaded in this instance. I was telling these

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1 gentlemen here my cousin went back to Maryland, I think it  
2 was almost 10 years ago, and she went through a nuclear  
3 plant, and as she left the plant there was a great big  
4 sign saying the nuclear waste from this plant is going to  
5 Yucca Mountain, Nevada, which is just an example of how  
6 this has all been handled.

7 There's no backup. There's no other site  
8 being considered, and it's as though you're giving us this  
9 opportunity to talk for nothing because it's not going to  
10 have any weight whatsoever because it's already been  
11 decided. So, number one, that's one reason I'm opposed to  
12 it.

13 The other one is from everyone that I've  
14 talked to who has knowledge of the conditions down there,  
15 geologic conditions and the faults and the volcanic  
16 activity, have said that this is not the proper place for  
17 it. And one of the people I've talked to, I believe they

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18 know something about what they're talking about.

19           And, as Betty mentioned, because we were an  
20 underground lake at one time, there's water underneath all  
21 of Nevada. There's a huge aquifer that goes through the  
22 whole state, and it's under Yucca Mountain too, and  
23 there's no reason to assume that in 10,000 years something  
24 isn't going to happen, that it's not going to dump those  
25 casts into some kind of water which would then ruin the  
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1 whole area. So for one area to be chosen to be ruined  
2 like this, it is not equal under the law. We're not  
3 getting our equal share. We support an awful lot of the  
4 federal government here, and to just choose this one place  
5 to send all the nuclear waste is unfair. We don't want  
6 it. Please do not -- the people of Nevada say no. That's  
7 all.