

Observations on Spent Nuclear Fuel Policy

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Background and Caveat

■ Previous Federal Engagements: Nuclear-Related

- Facilitated DOE's Consent-Based Siting dialogues on spent nuclear fuel management
- Former Cooperative Agreement recipient from Department of Commerce re: national assistance to nuclear closure communities

■ Previous Engagements at VY

- Consultant to Entergy
- Consultant to NorthStar

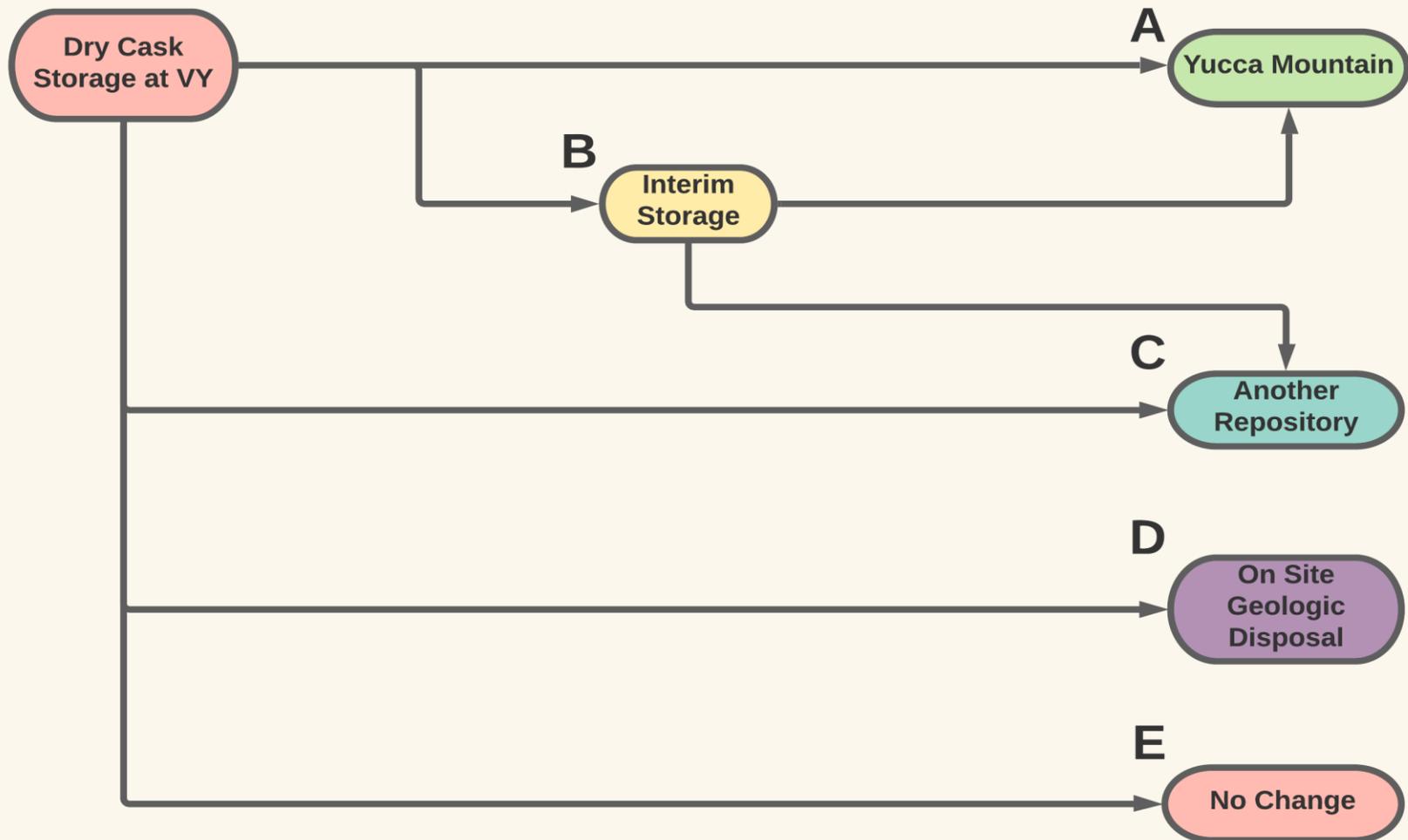
■ Presently

- Executive Director: The Nuclear Decommissioning Collaborative
- Director of Partnerships: Deep Isolation

■ Today

- Views and opinions from the perspective of an un-affiliated private citizen

Spent Nuclear Fuel: Disposition Options for Vermont Yankee



Why the Chronic Inaction?

■ Long-standing Power Imbalance

- Those suffering “inaction costs” from the federal government’s failure to enact a nuclear waste management program lack sufficient political power to influence change
- POLITICAL COSTS OF DOING SOMETHING >> POLITICAL COSTS OF DOING NOTHING

■ Historically, inaction costs experienced by a few isolated communities

- VY, Rowe, MY, CY, Big Rock, Zion
 - Relatively easy to ignore

■ Lately, more high-profile plants have come offline

- Indian Point, Diablo, San Onofre, Oyster Creek
- Potential closures in Illinois and Ohio

■ Will this growing cohort of communities suffering inaction costs make a difference to federal policy?

- TBD

Thank You

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