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Why We Need Better Management of Low-Activity Radioactive Waste
The patchwork of legislation and regulations governing low-activity wastes assigns names and disposal requirements to them according to their origins and with little regard to their actual radiological hazard.

SMAC on the Track or on the Road: New Intermodal Containers for LLW
A new container makes rail even more attractive to LLW shippers.

Low-Level Waste Disposal: Is There a Solution Out There?
The nuclear industry has just come to grips with the fact that the marketplace is not going to "step up to the plate" to solve the problem of low-level waste disposal.

Disposal of Low-Level Radioactive Waste

Other Features

D&D at the Nevada Test Site: Facility History, Regulatory Framework, and Lessons Learned
In 1956, a large area of the Nevada Test Site was devoted to developing a nuclear-powered rocket for use in space travel. Today the facilities in that area are being decontaminated and demolished.

OCRWM’s Inaugural Science and Technology Program for Yucca Mountain
The OCRWM’s science and technology initiative is designed to develop technological improvements and system enhancements to its baseline practices.

Yucca Mountain Updates—And Other Spent Fuel Issues
A report from the Regulatory Information Conference.

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