

Radioactive Waste Shipments



Q: What is the safety record for transporting spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste?

Government and industry have a proven safety record in transporting highly radioactive materials in the United States. Since the early 1960s, the U.S. has safely conducted more than 3,000 shipments of spent nuclear fuel without any harmful release of radioactive material. This safety record is comparable to the worldwide experience where more than 70,000 metric tons of spent nuclear fuel have been transported since 1970.