

WINDSCALE APPEAL

The outcome of the Windscale Public Inquiry, starting 14th. June, 1977, at Whitehaven in Cumbria, is of crucial importance to our society - if not our entire civilization. Nuclear technology began here some thirty years ago: this Inquiry will determine it's continuance or demise.

British Nuclear Fuels Limited intends to process plutonium from imported, radio-active, nuclear-oxide wastes. This, together with the construction of fast-breeder reactors and the accumulation of highly toxic nuclear wastes with no safe storage, will commit us to incalculable dangers for thousands of years. It could destroy all life. The commitment to a 'plutonium economy' for the sake of a questionable energy gap will leave no choices or second chances for our children and descendants in the centuries ahead. Today we still have a choice - another chance to adopt new safe energy systems to meet our present needs, ensure our future well-being and bequeath something of lasting value to those generations to come.

Thus it is vital that a thorough examination at a wide-ranging Public Inquiry is properly made of this issue. Our whole future is at stake.

So far this year over £1,000,000,000 has been allotted to British Nuclear Fuels Limited and it's associates. No public funds, however, are available to ensure a proper hearing for those who doubt the benefits of nuclear technology. We need a fund of at least £30,000: to engage expert witnesses, prepare detailed evidence, instruct solicitors and brief counsel, provide for advertising and publicity, arrange transport and accomodation at Whitehaven, maintain liaison with other groups and cover our office overheads. We must not fail. There is not likely to be another opportunity to decide our future. Please send your donation, your support and advice to us now.

WINDSCALE APPEAL, 19, Cheyne Walk, London, SW3. To date the Appeal includes: CANTO; CONSERVATION SOCIETY; CORNWALL NUCLEAR ALARM; ECOLOGIST; ECOLOGY PARTY; GREENPEACE (LONDON); IRISH CONSERVATION SOCIETY; NUCLEAR REACTOR VIGILANTES; SOCIETY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT; WEXFORD NUCLEAR ACTION GROUP. Would other interested groups please contact us immediately. All excess funds will be applied to the furthering of a non-nuclear future.