

GREENPEACE CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

Candidate's name: **Hillary Rodham Clinton**

1) Chemical Plant Security

Will you pledge to sign, support and implement legislation and regulations to eliminate the consequences of an attack on a chemical plant by requiring the use of IST at inherently dangerous chemical plants as specified in S. 1602 and H.R. 5695 if you are elected President? If so, will you call on Congress to enact this legislation now?

I am proud to be one of four Senators who cosponsored Senator Corzine's 2001 bill, S. 1602, to help protect the public against the threat of chemical attack. We witnessed first-hand on September 11, 2001, the terrible devastation that a small band of terrorists could create and it is our grave responsibility to keep Americans as safe as possible, at home and abroad. Thousands of chemical plants along with certain other installations and soft targets can and must be made safer so that the risks to people nearby can be reduced or eliminated. Implementing Inherently Safer Technologies (IST) in our chemical plants represents an effective and efficient step towards this goal, which is why I have been a strong supporter of this legislation. I hope that we can achieve greater implementation of IST, and as President, I will lead Congress in passing legislation to bring this about.

2) Nuclear Power

Would your administration allow new nuclear reactor designs, that have NOT been reviewed and improved for the post 9-11 reality, to be built and licensed in the U.S.?

As a member of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, I have worked hard to push the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to improve security and safety at nuclear plants post-9/11. In 2001, I joined with Senator Reid in introducing the "Nuclear Security Act of 2001." Portions of this bill ultimately became law, but we need to do more to ensure security at our nuclear reactors. With respect to licensing, it is clear to me that we need tougher criteria for both relicensing of existing reactors and licensing of new reactors to reflect the post-9/11 threat environment.

Would your administration attempt to license Yucca Mountain as our nation's nuclear waste repository?

My administration will end the Yucca Mountain project and convene a panel of scientific experts to explore alternatives for disposing of nuclear waste. As a member of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, I have paid careful attention to the many scientific doubts that have been raised about the proposed Yucca Mountain site, and I have been disturbed by the Bush administration's lack of regard for their serious implications. The process that has led to the current stalemate has been flawed and I believe a new start is necessary. That is why I voted against the resolution that would have overridden

Nevada's veto of Yucca Mountain in July of 2002, and that's why I remain opposed to Yucca Mountain today.

3) Japanese Whaling and Marine Sanctuaries

If you are elected president, what concrete steps will you take to convince Japan to stop whaling? Will you create new safe havens for marine life in our oceans, either as National Monuments or Marine Sanctuaries, and if so, where?

As President, I will work with other like-minded countries to engage Japan through the International Whaling Commission with the goal of convincing them to stop whaling. Whaling has a long cultural tradition in Japan, but research has shown that whale meat now accounts for a much smaller share of the Japanese diet than in past decades. Nonetheless, Japan has continued to press for expanded whaling, recently attempting to add humpback whales to its quota. This is unacceptable, and shows that much work remains to be done. At the same time, we need to take better steps to protect our own marine environments. I am proud of the steps taken under my husband's Administration to protect marine areas, but several ocean commission reports issued since then make it clear that additional protections are needed, a goal I will pursue as President.