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8 G-I-L-L-U-M.

9 I believe that the -- our government,
10 responsible government should do what Congress says
11 and move it out of the sites into one location, and
12 Yucca Mountain is obviously the spot for that. And I
13 think that the Mina corridor is a good idea.
14 Probably better than the Caliente.

15 You want me to say specifically which one
16 I would prefer? The nice straight line coming right
17 down, the most direct, not the one that is winding
18 around Silver Peak.

19 But the problem that the country is
20 having is that it's -- there's so much hysteria
21 around nuclear issues, that we need to distinguish
22 the difference between above-ground testing that was
23 done in the '50s, and the difference between that
24 type of radiation and moving these rods. You need to
25 be able to distinguish the difference and be able to

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1 say that publicly.

2 Explain to the general public the
3 difference, what the difference is. Maybe you know
4 the difference, but I don't know the difference. The
5 difference between getting radiated from above-ground
6 testing that happened in the '50 and the difference
7 in moving this stuff.

8 That is the difference that needs to
9 be -- there's a word for this -- effectively tell the
10 public that. I don't know how you would do that, but
11 somebody needs to effectively educate the public on
12 the difference of these things.

13 Anyway, it is unfortunate that people
14 died, got cancer and decide, you know, from all of
15 this stuff that happened in the past, but they do
16 need to get past the hysterical attributes of that.
17 You know, I had a family member, too, who died of a
18 radiation type of thing, so it -- you know, we live
19 and learn.

20 But we do want to -- you know, we want to
21 make sure that we keep everybody as safe as possible.
22 It's very deadly, I know. We know all of this. But
23 we do need to act responsible, get this stuff taken
24 care of, recycle it if we can or have the technology
25 to do it, and put it in Yucca Mountain until we can

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1 figure this stuff out.