

Letter to the Editor
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While the issue of nuclear power is one that requires careful consideration, safety concerns can be easily addressed. I have been onsite at a Bruce Power facility in Ontario and I am comfortable with the science. I am confident that Canada's nuclear industry is comprehensively regulated to ensure that all Canadians are fully protected.

All of Canada's used nuclear fuel from the last 56 years of power generation could fit into six hockey rinks. The form is a solid, water-insoluble ceramic shipped in incredibly durable containers designed to withstand extreme impacts. Transporting explosive gasoline poses a far greater risk, and yet we routinely allow these shipments on our highways.

There are currently 436 nuclear power plants operating in the world, with 18 in Canada. Thousands of people from many nations over 50 years have built an ever-stronger foundation for the safe and effective use of nuclear applications. Reliable, safe and established, this valuable resource is available to meet Saskatchewan's growing electricity needs.

I am certain that once we move past rhetoric and look at the big picture, the people of this great province will make the right decision.

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