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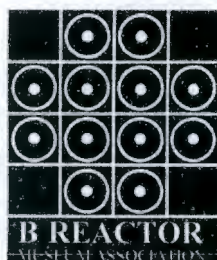
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Subject: 212-N,-P and -R Facilities EE/CA Addendum 1: Disposition of Railcars

Dear ~~Ms. Call~~, *Paula*

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the subject EE/CA. The B Reactor Museum Association (BRMA) partially supports Alternative 3. BRMA is extremely disappointed that none of the Alternatives provide for decontaminating and sending a cask railcar to the B Reactor museum. How discouraging! BRMA recognizes and supports DOE's responsibility to ensure all precautions are taken to guarantee public health and safety. Hopefully DOE will also recognize its responsibility to preserve this meaningful cask railcar artifact when making its safety evaluations.

BRMA fully supports recycling one of the locomotives to the B Reactor. However, a cask railcar should be included in Alternative 3 to ensure historical critical artifacts are preserved and not summarily discarded. This is necessary to make the museum more complete by portraying the full B Reactor process from start to finish.

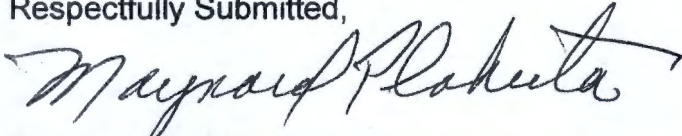
It would be "penny wise and pound foolish" not to include a cask railcar as an essential artifact relevant to telling the full history of B Reactor to present and future generations. We all must work together to take advantage of this opportunity now to preserve a cask railcar---and not lose it.

In summary, we strongly request DOE to decontaminate as minimally necessary one of the cask railcars and transfer it to B Reactor museum. It

would be absolutely abominable to now dismiss the only opportunity to ever have a cask railcar part of the Manhattan Project National Historic Park.

BRMA would welcome an opportunity to meet with appropriate DOE officials to explore this matter in more detail, including feasible/practical resolutions. As noted above this issue is of major concern for BRMA members, but also for others who have expressed an interest in being able to see a real Hanford cask railcar and obtain a more complete understanding of B Reactor operations.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Maynard Plahuta". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large, prominent "M" and "P".

Maynard Plahuta, President
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