

## **BEYOND NUCLEAR & BETTERWORLD HAPPENINGS, LLC**

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**"Will Fermi-3 Radiate 'Into Eternity'?"**  
***Sunday March 11, 2012 @ 7:30 PM / Unity Church of Livonia***

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Livonia, MI--On the first anniversary of the ongoing Fukushima Daiichi nuclear catastrophe, Sunday March 11, 2012, BetterWorld Happenings, in association with Specialty Studios and Beyond Nuclear, present: "Will Fermi-3 Radiate 'Into Eternity'?" The program, presented in two parts, begins at 7:30 PM at Unity Church of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile Rd., Livonia, MI 48154 (between Middlebelt and Inkster Rds.)

"Into Eternity" is a critically-acclaimed movie produced by Danish filmmaker Michael Madsen that profiles the Onkalo [Finnish for "Hiding Place"] nuclear waste repository in Finland---a project that leads all proposed radioactive waste repositories in the world in terms of advancement in completion of construction. "Into Eternity" is also a disturbing look at the ultimate conundrum presented by the challenge of long-term isolation of high-level nuclear waste. The film enjoyed a successful run at the Detroit Film Theatre at the Detroit Institute of Arts in 2011.

Among glowing reviews from the likes of The New York Times, The Guardian (UK), and other prominent media, The San Francisco Chronicle called the film "Excellent. The haunting 'Into Eternity' ...is a rare hybrid: an information-packed documentary crossed with an existential art film. In a deceptively low-key manner, Danish filmmaker Michael Madsen has beautifully crafted one of the most provocative movies of the year."

In addition to the film presentation, Kevin Kamps, Radioactive Waste Watchdog at DC-area Beyond Nuclear (interviewed on CNN, MSNBC, the Thom Hartmann Program and elsewhere) will make a presentation on the status of DTE Energy's proposed (and ironically-named at a projected cost of \$15 billion) Fermi-3 Economic Simplified Boiling Water Reactor (ESBWR). Kamps will also offer a comprehensive review of outstanding and critical issues at the existing

Fermi-2 nuclear plant, which is the largest in the world Fukushima-design reactor (the General Electric Boiling Water Reactor, Mark I containment design, or GE BWR, Mark I). The Mark I design has been the subject of controversy for decades and proved to be fatally flawed in the Fukushima Daiichi calamity. A limited question and answer session with the audience will be included.

In nearly a quarter century of operation, Fermi-2 has accumulated some 550 tons of high-level nuclear waste---some of the most radioactive material on the planet---in its irradiated fuel storage pool. General Electric BWR Mark I fuel pools, which are at elevated locations outside of the hardened primary containment, were also shown to be vulnerable by the disaster at Fukushima Daiichi. Consequently, Kamps will be seeking to recruit and mobilize support for Beyond Nuclear's "Freeze Our Fukushimas" campaign that aims for the nationwide shutdown of all 23 GE BWR Mark I reactors now operating in the U.S.

"We currently live with the risks of a mountain of radioactive waste 70 years high," says Beyond Nuclear's Kevin Kamps. "This includes very long term storage on the Great Lakes shoreline, transports targeted at the waters of the Great Lakes themselves, and now presents the threat of permanent radioactive waste dumps next to the drinking water supply for 40 million people downstream in the U.S. and Canada. We need to stop making radioactive waste and we need to abolish nuclear power---replacing it with energy efficiency, conservation, and renewable sources like wind and solar."

For more information and to order tickets priced at \$10 each (checks payable to BetterWorld Happenings mailed with self-addressed, stamped envelope by Saturday March 3rd to BetterWorld Happenings, P.O. Box 511001, Livonia, MI 48151), please contact Keith Gunter at (313) 702-7241 or by email at Betterworld1000@gmail.com .