

Fukushima Exponentially More Dire than Chernobyl – Deteriorating Plant Threatens Global Radiation?

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[After a quarter-century, this is] my last article written as Editor of *HazMat Management* magazine [and] *Solid Waste & Recycling* magazine. [Guy Crittenden, editor of HazMat Management magazine and Solid Waste & Recycling magazine](#) (Part of the [EcoLog Environmental Resources Group](#), “Canada’s leading publisher of print and electronic environmental, occupational health and safety, workers’ compensation news, legislation and compliance solutions – Subscribers include environmental health and safety managers, engineers, executives and lawyers in all industry sectors and government”), Dec 11, 2014 (*emphasis added*):

- Instead of a long article about what transpired in 2014 and what may be ahead, I’m going to offer readers three items... that have **made a deep impression on me recently**; these are “**must watch**” items for anyone interested in helping our species avoid peril from environmental degradation
- The **deteriorating status** of things at the destroyed nuclear plant at Fukushima, Japan...**you have an obligation, really, to be aware of conditions there**
- [There is a] **very real and present threat** from the... highly radioactive... destroyed cores of the reactors, as well as things like the storage of contaminated water in hastily-built, rusting containers
- This is serious stuff... an actual meltdown of the reactors — real **China Syndrome** stuff — as had been assumed would never likely happen in a modern reactor
- The situation is **exponentially more dire than Chernobyl**
- [Workers must] remove the rods for safe containment without having them contact one another and trigger a fire, the consequences of which would be unimaginable — We’re talking **mass extinction around the world**, especially in the northern hemisphere
- Most people have forgotten the situation and think of it only as a local Japanese problem
- It’s only a matter of time before another earthquake or tidal wave triggers such an event

[Kevin Kamps, nuclear waste watchdog for Beyond Nuclear](#), Nuclear Hotseat, Dec 9, 2014 (*at 37:00 in*): “If the meltdown is bad enough, that’s going to **burn its way right through the foundations of the containment — like we’ve seen at Fukushima Daiichi.**”

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