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The logo for NucNet, featuring the word "NucNet" in a stylized, handwritten-style font. The "N" is large and prominent, with the "ucNet" following it in a similar script.

Taiwan Pledge to Relocate Island Storage Facility

Authorities in Taiwan are considering moves towards the eventual relocation of the temporary Orchid Island low-level radwaste storage facility.

Economy minister Lin Yi-fu signed an agreement with the island's native inhabitants on 4th May pledging the government to set up a relocation committee within one month to discuss the removal of radwaste under a "definite timetable". The facility, operated by the state-owned Taiwan Power Company (TPC), now houses 97 672 drums of low-level waste in 23 semi-underground concrete trenches. The land lease contract for the facility expires at the end of this year and TPC officials are looking at extending the storage contract. However, Taiwan's Atomic Energy Council (AEC) told NucNet that there have been "no initiatives" aimed at designating the island as a possible (long-term) repository site.

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