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## I LIVE

I live under fear's umbrella  
nuclear meltdowns  
sky laboratories shattering entries

Man's technology  
has placed faith in spirits  
spirits that turn adulterous  
each day devising  
a new method of death

I don't want to be the  
1 in 3 million  
I'm already too many statistics  
unemployed, broke  
a victim of car accidents  
radiation exposures

after each crisis  
I can't continue  
to laugh at inane fears  
ignore consequences

I refuse  
my child will remain forever unborn  
in defiance of synthetic death

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