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The Honorable Donald J. Trump
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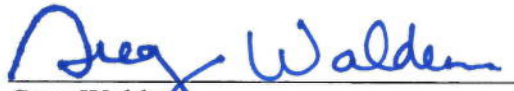
Dear President Trump:

We write to express our thanks for the appointment of Kristine Svinicki as Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and ask that you nominate candidates to fill current and future vacancies on the Commission.

Absent the nomination and confirmation of additional commissioners, the Commission will lack a quorum on July 1 when Chairman Svinicki's current term expires. This situation could severely inhibit the NRC's ability to execute its vital responsibility and hamper the nuclear industry. As increasing economic challenges face America's existing nuclear power fleet, a fully functioning NRC is essential to maintaining the viability of a vital portion of our Nation's clean, affordable electricity infrastructure and ensure a future for advanced nuclear technologies. A vibrant nuclear energy industry is a key element of our nation's economic competitiveness, both at home and abroad, but it finds itself at a critical juncture that demands clear and certain leadership.

We urge you to nominate commissioners to the NRC so the confirmation process may be completed as soon as possible and provide the NRC a full contingent of commissioners to fulfill its critical mission in overseeing and regulating the civilian use of radioactive material.

Sincerely,



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