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Dr. Kenichi Murakami, President
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Dear Dr. Murakami:

Thank you for your letter of April 7, 2000, informing me of your appointment as President of the Japan Atomic Energy Research Institute (JAERI). On behalf of my colleagues on the Commission, I congratulate you on your appointment to this important position.

As you may know, I have just returned from a visit to Japan, where I visited your Tokai Research Establishment and several other facilities. I enjoyed my visit to your country and appreciated the excellent technical briefings I received at each of the facilities I toured.

I want to assure you that the Commission recognizes our long history of cooperation with JAERI and looks forward to continued strong joint collaboration.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Meserve