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Rod Paige

U.S. Department of Education

TO:

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DESC:

Request for a Senior Member to Serve as a Liaison

to the White House Initiative on Historically

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Rod Paige

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Richard Meserve

SUBJECT:

Request the commission to appoint a senior member to serve as a liaison to the White House Intiative/Historically Black Colleges and Universities Advisory Board and to the Initiative

ACTION:

Appropriate

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SPECIAL HANDLING:

NOTES:

Appointee's name due by April 15, 2002

FILE LOCATION:

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THE SECRETARY OF EDUCATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20202

April 5, 2002

Honorable Richard A. Meserve Chairman Nuclear Regulatory Commission 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, Maryland 20870

Dear Dr. Meserve:

On February 12, 2002, President George W. Bush signed Executive Order 13256, establishing the White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities (WHI/HBCUs) and creating the WHI/HBCUs Board of Advisors. The President invited his 22 appointees to the WHI/HBCUs Board to the White House to personally issue a charge to them to foster the vital role that HBCUs play in our nation.

The Executive Order establishes the WHI/HBCUs in the Office of the Secretary of Education. I am responsible for its funding and activities. One of the mandates included in the Order is that each executive department or agency shall appoint a "senior official" to serve as a liaison to the WHI/HBCUs Advisory Board and to the Initiative.

Accordingly, I am requesting that you appoint a senior member of your staff to serve as the WHI/HBCUs representative. In order to begin aggressively carrying out the President's directives included in the Executive Order, I ask that you make this appointment by April 15, 2002. Please send the name of your designee to:

Ambassador Leonard Spearman
Executive Director of the White House Initiative
on Historically Black Colleges and Universities
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202

Thank you for your assistance with this important effort.

Sincerely,

Rod Paige