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Richard G. Irwin, Director Incident Management Office of Homeland Security The White House Washington, D.C. 20502

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If you have any questions on this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

(/RA by R. P. Zimmerman)

Roy P. Zimmerman, Director Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response

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