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To the Secretary:

I am writing in support of the petition filed by Daniel Hirsch for the Committee to Bridge the Gap (CBG). I live in the vicinity of the plant, and I am at risk in the event of a radioactive release.

I find it appalling that despite the current political environment and after the events of September 11, 2001, the NRC has done so little to defend the nuclear plants and radioactive waste storage facilities. CBG's petition clearly states the regulations that must be changed, the kinds of attacks that we must be prepared for, systems, exercises, and inspections that must be implemented, and shields that must be constructed. I agree with all recommendations made by CBG to enhance NRC security requirements for protection of nuclear power plants from terrorist attack.

The NRC has been given the enormous responsibility of protecting the citizens of the United States from the dangers of nuclear power. New and effective NRC security requirements are past due.

Sincerely,

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