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Attached please find Paula Stone's remarks for the January 14, 2009 public hearing regarding the Detroit Edison Company Fermi Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 3.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,

Jonathan Murphy

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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Paula Stone and I speak today on behalf of the Clean and Safe Energy Coalition - CASEnergy. We are a national grassroots organization of more than 1800 individuals and organizations who come together in support of nuclear power as a vital part of this country's energy portfolio.

According to the U.S. Department of Energy our electricity demand will increase 21% by 2030. Here in Michigan, nuclear power provides 26% of the state's energy needs. Emission-free sources, like nuclear power plants, supply safe, reliable and affordable power to meet the state's economic growth without polluting the air. An additional new reactor at the Fermi site would only improve the state's air quality by reducing the emission of greenhouse gasses.

Michigan has experienced a depression in the creation of jobs and the growth of their economy over past 5 years due to the struggles of the manufacturing and auto industry. To get Michigan's economy growing, the state will need new sources of power - power that is good for the environment and the economy.

And as our CASEnergy Jobs white paper titled "*Job Creation in the Nuclear Renaissance*" — which you can access on our Web site www.CleanSafeEnergy.org — points out if U.S. companies were to complete the more than 30 reactors now under consideration, between 12,000 and 21,000 new jobs would be added to the market. The nuclear energy industry has already created 15,000 new jobs and added \$4 billion to the economy to prepare for building new state-of-the-art reactors.

Nuclear energy is clean. The environmental impact at nuclear plants is far lower than at many other types of power-generating plants.



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Nuclear energy is safe. In fact, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics has shown that it is safer to work at a nuclear power plant than in the manufacturing sector and even in the real estate and financial industries.

Subsequently, a nuclear plant makes a good neighbor. It supports high-paying jobs directly at the plant, generates additional jobs in the community where it is located, and contributes by helping to build good schools and roads.

In these economic times, there is no stronger argument in support of the expansion of nuclear power.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Paula Stone