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The Honorable Gregory B. Jaczko  
Commissioner  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555-0001

Dear Commissioner Jaczko,

Thank you for your recent testimony at the Senate Environment and Public Works Clean Air and Nuclear Safety Subcommittee Hearing. I cannot overstate the critical role nuclear power plays as we seek to reverse the effects of climate change. Regular oversight hearings allow us to learn about the work your Commission is engaged in to ensure safety and stability to this vital part of the US energy infrastructure.

Thanks again for your participation in my first hearing as the Chair of the Clean Air and Nuclear Safety Subcommittee. I appreciate your willingness to press the Commission to ensure it fully contemplates its decisions and to maintain its role as regulator instead of promoter. I know that sometimes you may feel like a lone voice in the wilderness. Keep it up! Otherwise there will be no voice in the wilderness. Also, congratulations on your upcoming wedding!

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

*It helps also*

*for having a good sense of humor and bringing it to our hearing*

*Tom Carper*

Tom Carper  
U.S. Senator

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