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Nuclear Regulatory Commissioners

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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to encourage the NRC to take steps to increase the security and safety of nuclear waste stored at civilian nuclear reactor sites, which remains unacceptably vulnerable to a terrorist attack or accident.

On April 5, in Prague, President Obama outlined a new approach to addressing the threat posed by nuclear weapons. He clearly recognizes that nuclear weapons have become a security liability rather than an asset, and that U.S. nuclear weapons policy needs to be changed to reflect new global realities.

I strongly support the concrete, pragmatic steps that the president laid out in his speech, including Senate ratification of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT), a new U.S.-Russian treaty to verifiably reduce nuclear arsenals, and a global agreement to ban the

production of weapons-grade materials. These steps will reduce the risk of an accidental Russian nuclear launch, and the likelihood that more nations and terrorists will acquire nuclear weapons.

Sincerely,

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