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Dear Secretary,

Because of the events in Japan and the AP article on relaxing many safety standards, I am writing in support of PRM 50-96 (NRC-2011-0069)...the proposal that would require nuclear power plants and nuclear fuel pools to install reliable and renewable backup power systems, for a period of up to two years, to ensure cooling of irradiated fuel pools in the event of an extended loss of offsite power. Consider the opinion from the National Academy of Sciences study that warned that a major solar storm "could knock out power in parts of the northeastern and northwestern United States for months, even years."

This is a no-brainer. Pay now through the rates if necessary; do not have to pay many times more when (not if) a power outage or reactor failure occurs.

Sincerely,

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