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To Commissioner Joseph Hendrie

The Kemeny Commission made a strong recommendation that the regulation of nuclear power should be under the direction of outside leadership. In the spirit of that recommendation, I decided to appoint a new Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. In the interim, Dr. John Ahearne will serve as Chairman.

I appreciate the understanding and support you have shown for my decision. You have served as Chairman in a very difficult period, and I am sure that you will assist your successors in the transition.

I am confident that you will lend your best efforts and your expertise to the important work before the Commission.

Sincerely,

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