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Mr. Zhou Ping Director General National Nuclear Safety Administration 54 Sanlike Road Beijing People's Republic of China

Dear Mr. Zhou:

I would like to congratulate you on your appointment as Director General of the National Nuclear Safety Administration (NNSA) and to wish you success with the many interesting challenges ahead of you as China expands its nuclear power program to meet its rapidly growing energy demands.

Since the signing of our Protocol in 1981, an active program of cooperation has developed between our nuclear safety organizations. In 1987, I traveled to your country to meet with the NNSA and tour the Qinshan nuclear power plant construction site. It was an enjoyable and rewarding experience and provided an excellent opportunity to exchange views on a variety of nuclear safety and regulatory licensing issues that we both face.

I believe that it is important to continue this exchange. In that connection, I would note that last year, Deputy Director General Shi Guangchang had to cancel his trip to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and several nuclear facilities in this country when he left the NNSA for a position at the State Science and Technological Commission. I hope that both you and your current Deputy Director General, Mr. Dong Bianian, will be able to visit the NRC in the near future.

Sincerely,

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