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Chairman Christopher T. Hanson U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555

Dear Chairman Hanson:

I am appointing Jeff Smitherman as the new State Liaison Officer to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) from the State of Alabama. Mr. Smitherman is the Acting Director of Alabama's Emergency Management Agency and is in a position within State government that affords him access to my office and other State agencies in order to convey important and time-sensitive information provided by the NRC. Acting Director Smitherman is also in a position within Alabama State government to be able to keep your agency informed of important regulatory, legislative and public interest issues as they occur within the state.

As the Governor-appointed State Liaison Officer, Acting Director Smitherman will also function as my State employee representative, as provided for in Part 73.59(e) of your regulations, for receipt of Safeguards Information (SGI) and Safeguards Information-Modified Handling (SGI-M) that may be transmitted by the NRC. Mr. Smitherman has been informed of the protection requirements for SGI and SGI-M and will establish controls necessary to maintain compliance with Parts 73.21 through 73.23 of your regulations. His agency possesses the necessary physical protection resources for properly storing SGI and SGI-M.

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I look forward to the continuation of meaningful communication between the NRC and the State of Alabama.

Sincerely,

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