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Dear Secretary of the Commission,

I am writing to urge you to support the proposed rules on working hour limits and employee protection training. The working hour limits rule is needed to ensure that fatigued, and therefore impaired, workers will not be responsible for repairing, inspecting, or testing safety equipment at nuclear power plants. As seen in both recent and historic examples, worker error can be responsible for accidents at nuclear power plants. Many studies have shown that a person's ability to perform difficult tasks suffers when they are tired. Implementing this rule will help reduce the risk of accidents at nuclear power plants by reducing the likelihood that fatigued workers will be responsible for operations.

In addition, the proposed rule on employee protection training for supervisors, managers, and directors is necessary to protect "whistleblowers" and, by extension, the health and safety of the general public. It is absurd that managers can currently get away with harassing and intimidating whistleblowers on the grounds that they weren't aware that such behavior was illegal. Providing specific mandatory training for management on the employee protection regulations will assure that management is aware of their employees' rights. Additionally, it will remove the "ignorance of the law" excuse.

Once again, I am writing during the public comment period in support of both the proposed rules on working hour limits and employee protection training. I look forward to seeing these proposals become finalized.

Sincerely,

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