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Secretary Of the Commission
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Subj.: Support of Proposed Rule #1 & 2

Dear Sir;

Please support Proposed Rules #1 & 2 which will ensure safer operation of nuclear power plants. The rules will ensure that the first line of defence is staffed by workers who are free from both fatigue and fear of illegal discrimination.

The rules are essential to:

- prevent fatigue from impairing nuclear plant worker performance
- prevent fatigued workers from repairing, inspecting, and testing safety equipment when nuclear power plants are operating or shut down
- prevent fear from causing nuclear plant workers to remain silent about safety problems
- prevent supervisors, managers, and directors from using "ignorance of the law" as a shield for their illegal actions
- protect the public and the environment from a nuclear power plant accident

I thank you in advance for your consideration and support of this very important matter.

Sincerely Yours,

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