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Dear Mr. Secretary:

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The aging of nuclear power plants and the cost controls being set by their many new owners set the stage for future accidents.

We urge the NRC to support and act upon: (a) the current proposal to limit plant employee working hours for all employees, including during outages; and (b) the proposed rule for extending training on employee protection regulations. It is essential that "whistle-blowers" be thoroughly protected and that controls regarding supervisors who violate the letter and practice of such protection be enforced and punishments applied.

We look to the NRC to act upon its mandate to protect us and our environment. Three Mile Island and Chernobyl should be, for all of us, daily alarms of future possibilities.

Sincerely,

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