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Secretary of the Commission
US Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Dear Commission Members,

I write in support of the Union of Concerned Scientists' proposed rules to help ensure that nuclear workers are an effective line of defense against nuclear power plant accidents.

It is essential that employee working hours be limited so as to maintain the alertness required to prevent accidents.

It is also essential that workers that conscientiously raise safety concerns be protected from harassment and intimidation from their superiors. "Ignorance" of the law against harassment, firing, or discriminating against "whistleblowers" would be invalid if training on employee protection regulations was properly conducted.

I urge your implementation of the proposed rules.

Sincerely,
Jeanne D. Lindahl

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