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Dear Mr. Secretary:

I should like to express my strong support for new rules for the prevention of nuclear accidents that have been proposed by the Union of Concerned Scientists. Of course, there can be no rules that are absolutely fool proof in the prevention of accidents. However, it seems to me that there are, under current arrangements, a number of needless dangers. Considering the magnitude of the resulting peril, it seems to me that the proposed rules are moderate, reasonable, and promise to contribute materially to containment of the problem.

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