The Honorable Paul R. Verkuil
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

I regret that I was not able to attend the initial meeting of the Council of Independent Regulatory Agencies which was hosted by the Administrative Conference on September 22, 2010. Our General Counsel, Stephen Burns, attended on my behalf and reported that there was good discussion of the challenges faced by multi-member agencies under the Government in the Sunshine Act and of the impact of the Supreme Court's recent decision in the *Free Enterprise Fund* case. I understand that the Council plans to continue to meet bi-monthly to share best practices and discuss other issues facing independent agencies. I look forward to participating in future meetings.

Your July 19, 2010 letter asked that I designate someone to represent the agency on the Conference. I am designating Mr. Burns to fill that role. He can be reached at Stephen.Burns@nrc.gov or by phone at 301-415-1743.

Sincerely,

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Gregory B. Jaczko