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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001
January 9, 2017

The Honorable John Barrasso
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Barrasso:

I write on behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to congratulate you on your selection as Chairman, United States Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works (EPW). The NRC's safety and security mission remains paramount while the Commission continues to take actions to reduce overhead costs, and streamline agency processes in order to achieve efficiencies.

As you know, there is considerable interest from industry and Congress regarding the development and deployment of advanced non-light water reactor technology to supplement existing light water reactors. The NRC is prepared to review and license new non-light water reactor as well as small modular reactor under its current framework.

Again, congratulations to you and the NRC is committed to working with the EPW Committee in the conduct of its important oversight responsibilities.

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