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April 14, 2023

Ms. Maria Korsnick  
President and CEO  
Nuclear Energy Institute  
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Washington, DC 20004

Dear Stakeholder:

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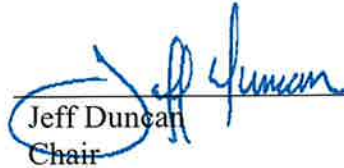
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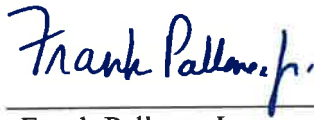
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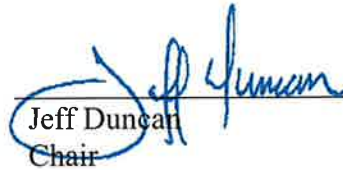
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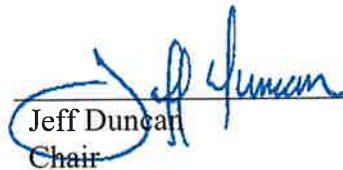
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