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March 23, 2011

Dr. Peter S. Winokur, Ph.D, Chairman
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
625 Indiana Ave NW, Suite 700
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Dear Chairman Winokur:

You are cordially invited to testify before the House Armed Services Subcommittee on Strategic Forces on the Fiscal Year 2012 National Defense Authorization Budget Request for Department of Energy Atomic Energy Defense Activities and Department of Defense Nuclear Forces Programs on Tuesday, April 5, 2011 at 11:30 AM in room 2212 Rayburn House Office Building.

The subcommittee is interested in the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board's assessment of safety issues related to Department of Energy and National Nuclear Security Administration facilities.

Committee Rule 13 provides that witness statements must be delivered to the committee at least 48 hours in advance of the hearing to facilitate distribution to the members. Therefore, it is requested that 20 copies of your prepared statement be delivered to Ms. Alejandra Villarreal in room 2216 Rayburn House Office Building by the afternoon of Friday, April 1, 2011. In addition, consistent with the House rules requirement to make materials from hearings electronically available to the general public, Committee Rule 13 requires that witness statements be provided to the committee in electronic form. This request may be satisfied by a transmittal via e-mail to alejandra.villarreal@mail.house.gov or disk.

I appreciate your willingness to appear before the subcommittee and look forward to your testimony. Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Kari Bingen on the committee staff at (202) 226-3207.

Sincerely,



MICHAEL R. TURNER
Chairman
Subcommittee on Strategic Forces

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