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Dear Dr. Meserve and Dr. Rempe:

I request that the Nuclear Energy Advisory Committee (NEAC) take appropriate action to direct its International Subcommittee to undertake the following tasks: 1) examine and provide recommendations on how the Office of Nuclear Energy could further support U.S. Government international commercial nuclear energy policies and priorities; and 2) identify international nuclear facilities that the U.S. nuclear industry could leverage to support the further development of the GAIN Initiative and complement existing U.S. facilities.

For Task 1, the Subcommittee should engage with the industry’s trade and advisory groups (i.e., Nuclear Energy Institute and the Department of Commerce’s Civil Nuclear Energy Trade Advisory Committee) and with individual firms that provide (or are planning to provide) products and services to the global nuclear market.

For Task 2, the Subcommittee should review past efforts by the national laboratories to identify and catalog the international nuclear facilities and their major capabilities with the objective of analyzing gaps and what is needed to leverage the GAIN Initiative.

The results of the reviews for Tasks 1 and 2 should be documented in reports to me before the end of the year.

I appreciate Dr. Regis Matzie’s leadership and the subcommittee members’ enthusiasm to undertake this important activity, and I and my senior staff look forward to a productive discussion of the results.
If you need any additional information, please contact me or Michelle Scott, the designated point of contact for the subcommittee, at (202) 586-9719.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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