July 26, 2022

The Honorable Charles Schumer  
Majority Leader  
United States Senate  
U.S. Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
Speaker  
United States House of Representatives  
U.S. Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Minority Leader  
United States Senate  
U.S. Capitol  
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The Honorable Kevin McCarthy  
Republican Leader  
United States House of Representatives  
U.S. Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Leader Schumer, Speaker Pelosi, and Leaders McConnell and McCarthy,

We, the undersigned organizations, implore Congress to take action to strengthen U.S. national, economic, and energy security by passing legislation to assist in establishing a secure nuclear fuel supply. A prescription like that contained in the bipartisan International Nuclear Energy Act of 2022 (S. 4064) would be an important first step. This bipartisan bill would, in part, establish a Nuclear Fuel Security Program to enhance domestic production of low-enriched uranium for existing reactors and high-assay, low-enriched uranium for use in advanced reactors. We also support the Fueling our Nuclear Future Act of 2022 (S. 4066), which would accelerate the availability of High Assay Low Enriched Uranium for next-generation nuclear fuel and would spur the establishment of uranium enrichment and deconversion capability in the United States.

Our organizations are committed to working with the U.S. government to strengthen all stages of our nuclear fuel supply chain to establish a secure supply of uranium, uranium conversion, and uranium enrichment capabilities to meet needs of both today’s reactors and next-generation facilities. The establishment of a secure fuel supply will enable the U.S. to eliminate the import of uranium and related conversion and enrichment services from the Russian Federation.

There is a pressing need for public-private partnerships to diversify the supply chain and alleviate the national-security issues associated with dependence on Russian nuclear fuel imports. The goal to eliminate the import of Russian fuel as soon as possible requires government and industry to work together to maintain nuclear generation as the backbone of the grid and to protect U.S. security interests.
We urge you to act quickly to enhance domestic nuclear fuel production and, in doing so, reduce our dependence on non-allied foreign sources, strengthen our energy position internationally, and create and preserve thousands of high-quality prevailing wage jobs.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours very sincerely,

Alpha Tech Research Corp.
American Electric Power Company
American Nuclear Society
ARC Clean Energy, Inc.
BWX Technologies, Inc.
Cameco Corp.
Centrus Energy Corp.
ClearPath Action
Constellation Energy Corp.
ConverDyn
Dominion Energy
DTE Energy
Duke Energy Corp.
enCore Energy
Energy Harbor
Energy Northwest
Framatome
GE-Hitachi Nuclear Energy
Global Laser Enrichment
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers
Kairos Power
North America’s Building Trades Unions
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Peninsula Energy
Public Service Enterprise Group Inc.
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South Texas Project Nuclear Operating Company
Southern Company
TerraPower
Third Way
U.S. Chamber of Commerce
UCAN-Power
Ultra Safe Nuclear Corp.
United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry
United States Nuclear Industry Council
Uranium Energy Corp.
Uranium Producers of America
Urenco USA, Inc.
Ur-Energy
Westinghouse Electric Company
Women in Nuclear
Xcel Energy
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c: The Honorable Jennifer Granholm, Secretary of Energy
Members of Congress