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Civil Nuclear Trade Advisory Committee

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The Honorable Gina Raimondo Secretary U.S. Department of Commerce 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20230

Subject: Resources in Support of Enabling and Promoting U.S. Nuclear Exports

Dear Madame Secretary:

The Civil Nuclear Trade Advisory Committee (CINTAC) serves as an advisor to you on the promotion of U.S. nuclear energy exports. CINTAC appreciates the vital role that the Secretary of Commerce, along with the International Trade Administration and the Economic Development Administration, plays in aiding the success and security of the commercial nuclear industry.

CINTAC would like to recognize the vital partnership that the U.S. Government has created with a TeamUSA arrangement, led by the Department of Energy in coordination with Departments of Commerce and State, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the Export-Import Bank, the U.S. Trade and Development Agency, International Development Finance Corporation, and others. TeamUSA. has developed a critically important relationship with the U.S. nuclear industry, and the impacts of its engagements with countries around the world that wish to consider U.S. nuclear technologies have been exceptional, especially the contributions of the U.S. Department of State's Foundational Infrastructure for Responsible Use of Small Modular Reactor Technology (FIRST) Program. In the last few years, engagement demands on TeamUSA. from interested countries have grown exponentially to some 35 countries today.

However, we wish to make it clear that the TeamUSA. efforts are underbudgeted and understaffed to meet the increasing interests and demands. TeamUSA. funding has been "cobbled together" and has not been budgeted in a systematic, predicable, and sustainable manner. Instead, the current efforts, which are beneficial, have been funded from a variety of disparate pots of money in the respective budgets of the participating departments and agencies. To provide for the long-term success of our industry, we believe the Department of Commerce and its peers in the U.S. government need to focus additional efforts and resources to meet the growing demands.

CINTAC requests that the Secretary direct her staff to work with key nuclear export counterpart departments and agencies to develop systematic and sufficient budget requests that will provide TeamUSA. with the necessary funding to ensure an effective strategy and program to facilitate enhanced U.S. export capabilities and increased demand for U.S. nuclear technologies. Sufficient and timely governmental support for international engagement activities is necessary to promote U.S. commercial nuclear interactions, development opportunities, capacity building, training, and promotional efforts to effectively represent U.S. interests and to facilitate meaningful private sector investment in expanding U.S. nuclear exports. Finally, the FIRST and related programs are so important that they each deserve a line item in the U.S. Budget.

At the recent United Nations COP28 Conference, the United States, among 24 other countries, made a "Declaration to Triple Nuclear Energy" by 2050. As the U.S. Government plans on how to achieve this priority, it must provide adequate funding for TeamUSA related activities that would be consistent with achieving this goal. We believe the organized budgetary attention and increased funding we are suggesting will enable greater private sector activity and overseas interest in adopting U.S. technology that will facilitate significantly expanded private investment and U.S. nuclear exports.

Thank you for your support of CINTAC, the nuclear industry and the initiatives expressed in this letter

Sincerely and on behalf of the members of CINTAC,

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