April 20, 2016

The Honorable James Inhofe, Chairman
The Honorable Barbara Boxer, Ranking Member
The Honorable Shelley Moore Capito, Chairman Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety
The Honorable Thomas R. Carper, Ranking Member
U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works
410 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Inhofe, Ranking Member Boxer, Chairman Capito and Ranking Member Carper:

Louisiana Energy Services, LLC, owner and operator of URENCO USA, is the only operating uranium enrichment plant for the commercial nuclear power industry in the United States. URENCO USA is writing to commend the Committee’s bipartisan support for advanced nuclear energy reactor innovation and development that was introduced by the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (S. 2795).

This legislation establishes a sound regulatory framework for the licensing of the next generation of commercial nuclear facilities in the U.S. As a licensee of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), we consider the NRC to be a fair, firm regulator and we agree that a firm, stable, and predictable licensing process is key to the future of the expansion of nuclear power in our country.

As you all know, the NRC’s priority, first and foremost, is to protect human health and safety and this legislation reaffirms the NRC’s mission.

Please let me know if we can answer any questions.

Sincerely,

Clint Williamson
Vice President of Communications and External Relations