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MEMORANDUM

January 12, 2024

To: Members, Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Energy Policy, and Regulatory Affairs

From: Committee Staff

Re: Hearing titled “The Next Generation: Empowering American Nuclear Energy”

On **Thursday, January 18, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. ET in 2154 Rayburn House Office Building**, the Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Energy Policy, and Regulatory Affairs will host a hearing titled “The Next Generation: Empowering American Nuclear Energy.”

I. BACKGROUND:

Despite technical advancements in the nuclear energy industry, regulatory and legislative hurdles have slowed the pace of private-sector innovation and will continue to delay the next chapter in nuclear reactor deployment. Interagency coordination is critical to ensure that the U.S. nuclear sector is in the best position possible to compete on the global scale to support American nuclear energy now and into the future.

II. HEARING PURPOSE:

The hearing will examine the opportunities for growth and regulatory challenges associated with increasing American nuclear power capacity, how to navigate energy reliability and grid security, and identify roadblocks to innovation when building out the domestic nuclear energy production.

III. WITNESSES:

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