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Dear Commissioner Marzano:

Thank you for appearing before the Subcommittee on Energy on Wednesday, April 22, 2026, to testify at the hearing entitled “Nuclear Regulatory Commission: Oversight of Activities, Priorities, and Fiscal Year 2027 Budget.”

Pursuant to the Rules of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the hearing record remains open for ten business days to permit Members to submit additional questions for the record, which are attached. The format of your responses to these questions should be as follows: (1) the name of the Member whose question you are addressing, (2) the complete text of the question you are addressing in bold, and (3) your answer to that question in plain text.

To facilitate the printing of the hearing record, please respond to these questions with a transmittal letter by the close of business on Wednesday, July 1, 2026. Your responses should be mailed to Seth Ricketts Legislative Clerk, Committee on Energy and Commerce, 2125 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515 and e-mailed to Seth.Ricketts@mail.house.gov.

Thank you again for your time and effort preparing and delivering testimony before the Subcommittee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert E. Latta". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Robert" being the most prominent.

Robert E. Latta
Chairman
Subcommittee on Energy

cc: Kathy Castor, Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Energy

Attachment

Additional Questions for the Record

The Honorable Bob Latta (R-OH)

1. While safety is your primary responsibility, would you all agree that NRC should operate efficiently and effectively in a way that enables deployment of nuclear technology for the benefit of society?

a. Is NRC making measurable progress towards this goal?

2. Let me turn to workforce. By some estimates, NRC has four hundred fewer staff now than at the beginning of this Administration.

The NRC budget proposal indicates over a hundred fewer staff than last year in the nuclear safety program.

How many staff leave on their own, and to more lucrative jobs in industry?

3. Will the Commission work with Committee to identify practical, targeted Atomic Energy Act reforms, such as the REFUEL Act, that seek to make licensing of recycling fuel more predictable and efficient?

The Honorable Diana DeGette (D-CO)

1. Can you detail the importance of the tools that Congress granted the NRC in attracting and retaining highly competent professional staff?
2. Given that the NRC lost over 330 staff members last year, more than 10% of its staff, is the NRC sufficiently staffed?
3. Has the NRC taken sufficient advantage of the provisions in the ADVANCE Act to hire new staff or grant performance bonuses to help retain existing staff?