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To: Senator Curt Mckenzie, Interim Committee Co-Chair

Representative George Eskridge, Interim Committee Co-Chair

From: Doug Sayer, CEO & President of Premier Technology

I have read the current draft of the energy policy. My comments are directed solely toward sections 2.3.6 and 3.6.1 regarding our current Nuclear Energy Status and Nuclear Technology as it relates to Idaho's Future. I feel the language within the plan needs to remain untouched. I am glad to see this plan identifying Idaho's successes in the nuclear industry and supporting its continued growth. Having the leading Nuclear Energy National Lab located in our great state has benefited Idahoans locally and statewide with an increased education level of our locally employed. The Idaho National Lab has enabled Idaho to become nuclear industry specialists. This specialization makes Idaho difficult to compete with, similar to our strength in agriculture. Idahoans have worked hard to become the country's leaders in these specialized fields and this energy plan shows a heightened level of awareness regarding our nuclear energy accomplishments.

Additionally, I feel Idaho will have an opportunity that is unique to our state in the following that were highlighted in the plan: small module reactors, dry air storage, and mixed generation of power by combining nuclear with renewables like wind, solar etc. Idaho's deep nuclear energy background at the INL can enable us to progress these concepts in Idaho through ideas similar to private sector energy parks located on state endowment lands. These types of opportunities produce state revenue that can be earmarked specifically for our future, more specifically our schools.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doug Sayer", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Doug Sayer