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Dean William M. LeoGrande School of Public Affairs, Ward 310 American University 4400 Massachusetts Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20016

Dear Dean LeoGrande:

It is my pleasure to nominate Dr. Brian W. Sheron for this year's Roger W. Jones Award for Executive Leadership.

Dr. Sheron is being nominated for his exceptional leadership of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research and his previous leadership in the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation as the Associate Director for Engineering and Safety Systems. Dr. Sheron's exemplary leadership has had a direct impact on protecting public health and safety and the environment, as evidenced most recently by his contributions to the agency's response to Japan following the earthquake and tsunamis that struck that country last year. He represents excellence in the Federal workforce, and his daily contributions inspire the best in those he meets and mentors. He has a strong commitment to developing the careers of his staff and managers who will serve as future Federal executives' several key office directors and managers at the NRC have developed under his tutelage.

On behalf of my Commission colleagues, I want to express my appreciation for your efforts to recognize outstanding Federal career executives and for the opportunity to participate in the Roger W. Jones Award for Executive Leadership program

Sincerely,

Gregory B. Jaczko

Enclosure: As stated