



VIA EMAIL
(PA 2025-003)

April 29, 2025

The Honorable David Warrington
Counsel to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Mr. Warrington:

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