

11 July 2014

Margaret M. Doane
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United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Dear Ms. Doane:

The purpose of this letter is to describe the steps I will take to avoid any actual or apparent conflict of interest in the event that I am confirmed for the position of Commissioner of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

As required by 18 U.S.C. § 208(a), I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that has a direct and predictable effect on my financial interests or those of any person whose interests are imputed to me, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C.

§ 208(b)(2). I understand that the interests of the following persons are imputed to me: any spouse or minor child of mine; any general partner of a partnership in which I am a limited or general partner; any organization in which I serve as officer, director, trustee, general partner or employee; and any person or organization with which I am negotiating or have an arrangement concerning prospective employment.

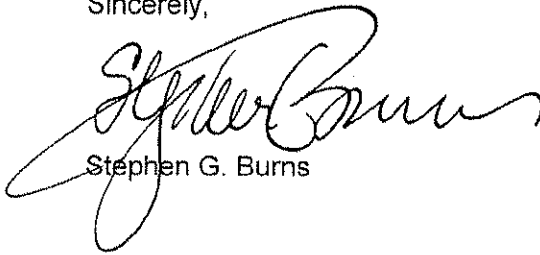
Upon confirmation, I will resign from my position as the Head of Legal Affairs of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development's (OECD) Nuclear Energy Agency. Pursuant to established OECD policy, I will receive a one-time lump sum payment of my pension, a moving allowance, and a final payment of U.S. and state taxes on OECD earnings upon my resignation from OECD. I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that has a direct and predictable effect on the ability or willingness of OECD to provide these contractual benefits, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(2). In addition, for a period of one year after my resignation, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which OECD is a party or represents a party, unless I am first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d).

Upon confirmation, I also will resign from my positions with: (1) the International Nuclear Law Association, and (2) the Supervisory Board of the International School of Nuclear Law, which is organized co-operatively between the Nuclear Energy Agency and the University of Montpellier 1, France. For a period of one year after my resignation from these entities, I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which either of these entities is a party or represents a party, unless I am first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d).

I understand that as an appointee I am required to sign the Ethics Pledge (Exec. Order No. 13490) and that I will be bound by the requirements and restrictions therein in addition to the commitments I have made in this and any other ethics agreement.

I have been advised that this ethics agreement will be posted publicly, consistent with 5 U.S.C. § 552, on the website of the U.S. Office of Government Ethics with other ethics agreements of Presidential nominees who file public financial disclosure reports.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen G. Burns", with a large, stylized flourish extending from the end of the name.

Stephen G. Burns