

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, D.C. 20510**

February 9, 2023

The Honorable Jill Hruby  
Administrator and Under Secretary for Nuclear Security  
National Nuclear Security Administration  
1000 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, DC 20585

Dear Administrator Hruby:

We respectfully request an additional, extended period for public comment on the Draft Site-Wide Environmental Impact Statement for Continued Operation of the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (DOE/EIS-0547).

While we appreciate that NNSA closed the original 60-day comment period on January 18, 2023, concerned constituents and residents of communities in our Congressional districts nearby Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory have contacted our offices requesting additional time to review and comment. We trust you can appreciate that this Environmental Impact Statement is a voluminous and highly technical document, even for the most interested members of the public.

As members of Congress representing the East Bay, we strongly support the ongoing work at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, of which we believe Californians and all Americans should be immensely proud. Indeed, we were thrilled by the National Ignition Facility's first-ever nuclear fusion ignition on December 5, 2022. Decades in the making, this major scientific breakthrough speaks to the dedicated and cutting-edge work underway at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

Again, we hope that NNSA will make every effort to provide additional opportunity for public comment on the Draft Site-Wide Environmental Impact Statement for Continued Operation of the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (DOE/EIS-0547). Thank you for your leadership and consideration of our request.

Sincerely,



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John Garamendi  
Member of Congress



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Mark DeSaulnier  
Member of Congress



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Eric Swalwell  
Member of Congress