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Fukushima.

BP Oil Spill.

The death of Osama bin Laden.

Cataclysmic and riveting events all, with highly significant implications for our energy future, energy security, natural resources, and international security.

Difficult choices and decisions have been made, and the choices and decisions to be made in the aftermath will test severely our mettle in an increasingly dangerous, complicated, and connected world.

As we consider the lessons learned from these events, it strikes me that the fulsome assessment of safety and other risks, thoughtful deliberation, careful planning, the exercise of flexibility and creativity, and taking bold and decisive action are among the key hallmarks of success, and often absent in the failures.

In addressing the path forward for our energy future and security, failure is neither a choice nor an option. As a society and as individuals, we must make the difficult choices in a bipartisan, united, and creative fashion, and move on.

Respectfully,

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