

National Construction Safety Team Advisory Committee
National Institute of Standards and Technology

December 31, 2014

The Honorable John D. Rockefeller IV
Chairman
Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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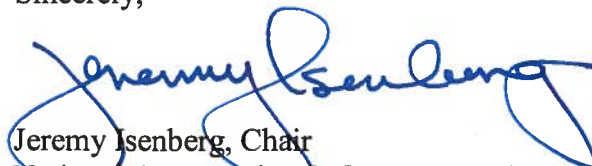
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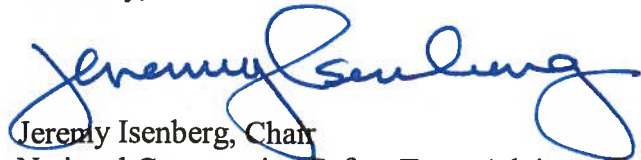
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