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**STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT BUSH'S SCIENCE ADVISOR AND DIRECTOR OF
THE OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY JOHN H. MARBURGER
III ON UNION OF CONCERNED SCIENTISTS DOCUMENT AND PRESS RELEASE:**

"The material presented by the Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS) resembles previous releases in making sweeping generalizations based on a patchwork of disjointed facts and accusations that reach conclusions that are wrong and misleading. As I have stated before, this Administration values and supports science, both as a vital necessity for national security and economic strength and as an indispensable source of guidance for national policy.

"This Administration has strongly supported science, increasing spending on federal R&D by 44 percent since FY2001 to a record \$132 billion in the President's FY2005 budget request. Among the notable achievements are the completion of the doubling of the NIH budget, promoting initiatives to develop hydrogen fuel technology, health information technology for improved health care delivery, and broadband technology for greater economic security and productivity and a new vision for space exploration to the Moon and Mars.

"I am personally committed to supporting this Administration in its efforts to seek the best scientific input to inform governmental decision-making."

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