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To: Prof. Jianzhong Wu
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Dear Professor Wu,

I am pleased to submit the attached manuscript for review and possible publication in *Applied Energy*.

Title: Graph neural networks for operational risk assessment under evolving grid topology
Authors: Yadong Zhang, Pranav M Karve, Sankaran Mahadevan

I look forward to hearing from you about this manuscript and thank you and the reviewers for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sankaran', written over a horizontal line.

Sankaran Mahadevan