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## **NRC MODIFIES AVAILABILITY OF SECURITY INFORMATION FOR ALL NUCLEAR PLANTS**

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has determined that certain security information formerly included in the Reactor Oversight Process will no longer be publicly available, and will no longer be updated on the agency's web site.

“The Commission has a responsibility for public health and safety, and that responsibility is evaluated in considering which information should be made public,” said NRC Chairman Nils Diaz. “We deliberated for many months on finding the balance between the NRC's commitment to openness and the concern that sensitive information might be misused by those who wish us harm.”

The NRC will continue to inspect and assess physical security of nuclear facilities, but the results will no longer be made publicly available and will be exempt from Freedom of Information Act requests. Enforcement information associated with physical protection of nuclear facilities will be withheld as well. The NRC will continue to provide these types of information to state officials, local law enforcement agencies and other federal agencies.

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