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United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510-4001

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The Power Reactor Status Report and Event Notification Report can be accessed at our web site at: <http://www.nrc.gov>.

I want to assure you that we are doing everything we can to provide the public with the most current and accurate information on licensed facilities and materials without compromising national security. If you have any further questions, please contact me.

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