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## **NRC ADVISES NUCLEAR LICENSEES TO REVIEW SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY MEASURES AS NATION RETURNS TO YELLOW HOMELAND SECURITY LEVEL**

Consistent with today's announcement by Attorney General John Ashcroft that the Homeland Security threat level has been lowered from Orange (High) to Yellow (Elevated), the NRC is advising nuclear power plants and other nuclear facilities to implement the appropriate protective measures consistent with the NRC's corresponding Level 3 threat level. Supplemental security measures implemented September 10, following the establishment of an Orange threat condition, are no longer necessary.

On September 10, 2002, the NRC advised licensees to implement the actions specified for the Level 4 threat level of the agency's Threat Advisory and Protective Measures System to counter and respond to terrorist threats.

Although the NRC has received no information concerning either a general or specific credible threat to U.S. nuclear facilities or materials, the agency continues to monitor threats and other related developments as it coordinates its activities with other licensees, Federal agencies, and local and State law enforcement authorities.

In addition, the NRC will maintain heightened security measures, consistent with the Yellow threat level, at its headquarters in Rockville, Maryland, and at its four regional offices.

The NRC's threat Level 3 corresponds to the Homeland Security Yellow threat level.

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