

November 12, 2003

The Honorable George V. Voinovich, Chairman
Subcommittee on Clean Air, Climate Change,
and Nuclear Safety
Committee on Environment and Public Works
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with the requirements of the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA), I am pleased to provide the enclosed copies of the FISMA 2003 annual reports for the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). These reports were recently approved for release by the Office of Management and Budget. The reports include an annual summary report and a corresponding progress report that contains the Plan of Action and Milestones (POA&M) for the agency's Automated Information Security Program. The NRC Office of the Inspector General has forwarded a copy separately of its independent review of the NRC's compliance with the requirements of FISMA.

The NRC is fully committed to maintaining the security of our automated information systems, and the agency has taken action to comply with the requirements of FISMA. If you have any questions regarding the NRC FISMA 2003 annual reports, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Nils J. Diaz

Enclosures: 1. NRC FISMA 2003 Report
2. NRC FISMA POA&M Report

cc: Senator Thomas R. Carper

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