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Gentlemen,

Please find the attached information as a supplement to the Nuclear Security Coalition's emergency enforcement petition (10 CFR 2.206) of August 10, 2004 regarding the structural vulnerability of the elevated irradiated fuel storage ponds in the nation's 32 fuel laden GE Boiling Water Reactor Mark I & II units to aircraft penetration.

The Washington Post "Terrorists Could Exploit Security Flaws in Aviation" article (03/15/2005) references the report by Homeland Security and FBI that concludes the nation's aviation system remains vulnerable to terrorist attacks and diversion as weapons of sabotage. The article reference's the New York Time's prior reporting on March 13, 2005 on its website edition.

Thank you,

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Terrorists Could Exploit Security Flaws in Aviation

The nation's aviation system remains vulnerable to attacks by al Qaeda and other terrorists who may be targeting noncommercial aircraft and helicopters, according to a government report.

But officials said the report by the Department of Homeland Security and the FBI concludes that commercial airlines also remain susceptible to attack, despite billions of dollars worth of security investments.

The confidential report, dated Feb. 25, reflects what officials have long said: that beefing up security in one sector would inevitably prompt terrorists to target other areas

that might not be under the same level of scrutiny.

However, the report, drafts of which have been circulating since late last year, is the first to pull the intelligence together in a single package, officials said. It was distributed to state, local and private-sector officials who deal with counterterrorism concerns, said Homeland Security spokesman Brian Roerkasse.

The report was first reported Sunday evening by the New York Times on its Web site.

More than \$12 billion has been spent on explosive detectors, armored cockpit doors screeners, air marshals and other aviation security systems since the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks.

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