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The New York Times reports on Tuesday's nuclear plant security hearing before a Congressional subcommittee, focusing largely on GAO assertions and NRC denials that the agency's oversight after 9/11 is faulty. 9/15; <http://www.nytimes.com> . A similar story by the Associated Press ran in The Wall Street Journal. 9/15; <http://online.wsj.com> .

The Rutland (Vermont) Herald reports that Rep. Sanders, who questioned NRC officials during a Congressional subcommittee hearing, is unhappy about the lack of no-fly zones above nuclear plants. 9/15; <http://www.rutlandherald.com> .

The Hill reports on the GAO testimony yesterday before a House subcommittee, focusing on its criticism of Wackenhut as the provider of teams to act as mock terrorists in nuclear plant exercises. 9/15; <http://www.thehill.com> .

The New York Times reports on the "cheerful" face of nuclear power in a feature piece focusing on Entergy (Indian Point) spokesman Jim Steets. 9/15; <http://www.nytimes.com> .

The Washington Post reports that most Americans would not cooperate during a terrorist attack involving smallpox or a dirty bomb, according to a recent study. Page A2, 9/15; <http://www.washingtonpost.com> .

The Morning (Pa.) Call reports on the first day of the trial of a Pottstown man who, apparently intoxicated, flew his small plane close to the Limerick nuclear power plant. 9/15; <http://www.mcall.com> .

The Daily Record/Sunday News reports that the NRC had determined Three Mile Island Unit 1 will follow a baseline inspection schedule through March 31, 2006, despite several "green" violations. A sidebar highlights NRC's new emergency preparedness Web page. 9/15; <http://www.ydr.com> .

The Beaver County Times and Alleghany Times report on the 50th anniversary of the groundbreaking for the Shippingport nuclear power plant and the beginning of a new era in energy generation. 9/15; <http://www.timesonline.com> .

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The Day reports the head of the Connecticut Coalition Against Millstone is seeking a seat in the state's legislature on an "anti-nuke platform." 9/15; <http://www.theday.com> .

The (Las Vegas) Review-Journal reports that Clark County officials are furious over DOE guidelines that limit how Nevada counties can spend federal aid to monitor Yucca Mountain. 9/15; <http://www.reviewjournal.com> .

The (Maine) Press Herald reports on the demolition of the Maine Yankee containment dome this week. 9/15; <http://pressherald.com> .

The European Union is essentially ignoring U.S. suggestions in its recommendations to the U.N's IAEA regarding Iran's suspected nuclear program, according to the Associated Press in The New York Times. 9/15; <http://www.nytimes.com> .

The U.N.'s IAEA says it cannot rule out that Iran has a secret atom-bomb project, even after two years of investigation, according to Reuters. 9/15; <http://www.reuters.com> .

A U.S. study claims that Iran could acquire a nuclear bomb in the next one to four years and then be more willing to aid terrorist groups, according to Reuters. 9/15; <http://www.reuters.com> .

Inspectors from the U.N.'s IAEA will conduct a second "intrusive" inspection in South Korea next week, according to Reuters. 9/15; <http://www.reuters.com> .

North Korea is looking for an "extended delay" in talks over its nuclear weapons program, according to the Associated Press in the New York Times. 9/15; <http://www.nytimes.com> .

The global effort to curb nuclear proliferation is now facing daunting challenges, according to The Christian Science Monitor in USA Today. 9/15; <http://www.usatoday.com> .

About 200 workers at an Ontario, Canada, uranium processing operation have accepted a new contract, ending a six-week strike, according to the Canadian Press. 9/15; <http://www.canada.com> .

Sen. Charles Schumer of New York issues a press release on homeland security progress since 9/11 and gives nuclear power plant security a "C." (Chemical plant security gets an "F.") 9/15; <http://schumer.senate.gov> .