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Senator Thomas R. Carper
Senator George V. Voinovich

TO:

Chairman Klein

FOR SIGNATURE OF :

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CRC NO: 08-0008

Chairman Klein

DESC:

NRC Oversight Report Regarding NRC Oversight
Discovery of Inattentive Security Guards at
Peach Bottom (EDATS: SECY-2008-0015)

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OCA Concurrence: NO

Special Instructions: Coordinate with Region I.

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Addressee: Chairman Klein

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ACTION OFFICE: EDO

AUTHOR: SEN Thomas Carper
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SUBJECT: Request NRC oversight report concerning NRC oversight discovery of inattentive security guards....

ACTION: Signature of Chairman
DISTRIBUTION: RF, OCA to Ack

LETTER DATE: 01/07/2008

ACKNOWLEDGED: No
SPECIAL HANDLING: Commission Correspondence

NOTES: Report requested to the Subcommittee at the next NRC oversight hearing scheduled for February 28th; OCA recommends submittal to Congress by February 2/22/08 in preparation for hearing

FILE LOCATION: ADAMS

DATE DUE: 02/07/2008 **DATE SIGNED:**

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

January 7, 2008

The Honorable Dale E. Klein
Chairman
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555-0001

Dear Chairman Klein:


As you would recall, we discussed at our October 3, 2007, Clean Air and Nuclear Safety Subcommittee hearing on NRC oversight the discovery of inattentive security guards at the Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station. You and your fellow Commissioners assured our Subcommittee that the NRC is addressing this issue at Peach Bottom including dispatching an NRC Augmented Inspection Team to the site to determine the extent of the problem. Moreover, you assured us that the agency is taking appropriate action to ensure that similar incidents do not occur at other nuclear plants.


While we appreciate that the Commission is taking this issue seriously, we are concerned that incidents like this at Peach Bottom could undermine the agency's public credibility despite the agency's efforts to substantially upgrade the safety and security of nuclear facilities around the country. Thus, we request that NRC provide a report to the Subcommittee at the next NRC oversight hearing, which is currently scheduled for February 28, 2008. In this report, please include the following:

- 1) A description of the Inspection Team's findings from its visit following the discovery of the inattentive guards;
- 2) A description of all follow-up actions taken by the NRC; and
- 3) A description and analysis of the adequacy of the NRC's allegation review process.

As we have said time and time again, the safe and secure operation of the 104 currently licensed reactors is absolutely critical if we are to license and build new ones. We look forward to the Commission's report at the hearing on this very important issue. Please contact either Tom Lawler at (202) 224-3168 or TJ Kim at (202) 224-2160 of our staff if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,


Thomas R. Carper
Chairman


George V. Voinovich
Ranking Member

Received SEC/C&R

Date: 1-8-08

Time: 3:25 P.M.