The Honorable Maria Cantwell Chairwoman, Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairwoman Cantwell:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Comission (NRC), as required by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, I am reporting on the status of the agency's efforts to provide "Compliance Guides" to small entities for rules that affect them.

The agency directs much of its regulatory activity to NRC licensees that are not considered small entities under the size standards in § 2.810 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*, "NRC Size Standards." Therefore, a significant number of the NRC's regulations do not affect small entities. However, there are a few rules which do have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. A complete list of those rulemakings that have an impact on small entities and its corresponding guidance document is enclosed, and is also available on the agency's public Web site at <a href="http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/rulemaking/flexibility-act/small-entities.html">http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/rulemaking/flexibility-act/small-entities.html</a>.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact Amy Powell, Acting Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs at (301) 415-1776.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: NRC's Small Entity Compliance Guides

cc: Senator James E. Risch

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