

August 27, 2015

MEMORANDUM TO: Stephen D. Dingbaum  
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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO AUDIT OF U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY  
COMMISSION'S COMMUNICATIONS SECURITY PROGRAM  
(OIG-14-A-21)

This memorandum is a public response addressing resolutions completed and actions planned for Recommendation 4, of the Office of the Inspector General's (OIG's) audit report dated September 29, 2014.

The staff originally responded to the audit recommendations on October 29, 2014, and provided a follow up on June 17, 2015. The staff's detailed response to the audit recommendations is a non-publicly available document.

Recommendation 4:

OIG recommends that the [Office of the] Executive Director for Operations (OEDO):

Procure a secure fax maintenance support contract that specifies maintenance performance standards and links these standards to vendor compensation.

Response:

Agree.

The NRC staff is working to develop a secure fax maintenance contract with specific, goal-oriented tasks. The contract will support the entire secure fax inventory for multiple years beyond the 1-year contract period. Contract negotiations have taken longer than initially

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Target Completion Date: April 30, 2016.

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