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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

August 18, 2016

The Honorable Lamar Alexander
Chairman, Subcommittee on Energy
and Water Development
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Enclosed is the July 2016 Monthly Congressional Status Report. The monthly status report is provided in accordance with Section 402(e) of the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016.

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On the last day of July’s reporting period, NRC exceeded the threshold of \$500,000 in funds reallocated between the business lines within the Nuclear Reactor Safety control point. Resources were reallocated from new reactors to operating reactors to fund high priority mission activities. The activities included \$2.2 million for information technology projects related to nuclear reactor oversight, \$1.3 million for information technology projects related to nuclear event response, and \$2.0 million for reactor research projects.

The new reactors resources reallocated to fund these activities were budgeted for design certifications and licensing actions. Changes in applicant business plans prompted licensees to suspend or slow down activity on applications already docketed and delayed new application submittals, thus reducing needs for design certification funding. Funding needs for licensing actions were lower than expected due to delays incurred when licensees requested extensions to implement their cyber security plans through the license amendment process. The agency does not anticipate any programmatic impact in performing its mission due to the reallocation of funds from new reactors.

I am also enclosing a revised June report which contains a technical correction to the Current Year Unliquidated amounts. All other amounts remain the same.

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Please feel free to contact me or Eugene Dacus, Director of Office of Congressional Affairs, at (301) 415-1776, if you have any questions or need information.

Sincerely,

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Stephen G. Burns

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As stated

cc: Senator Dianne Feinstein
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