



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

August 1, 2017

The Honorable Thad Cochran
Chairman, Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am submitting a report on adherence to the Commission's backfit rule and the roles of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards and the Committee to Review Generic Requirements in the rulemaking process, as directed by the Joint Explanatory Statement accompanying the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017.

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

Sincerely,

Kristine L. Svinicki

Enclosure:
As stated

cc: Senator Patrick J. Leahy

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