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UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

February 12, 2018

The Honorable Shelley Moore Capito  
Chairman, Subcommittee on Clean Air  
and Nuclear Safety  
Committee on Environment and Public Works  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam Chairwoman:

Enclosed is the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) fiscal year (FY) 2019 Congressional Budget Justification. This Congressional Budget Justification reflects the NRC's continued commitment to protecting public health and safety and ensuring the long-term safety and security of nuclear power facilities and nuclear materials. The NRC's FY 2019 budget request provides the resources necessary to accomplish mission-critical activities related to safety and security in the Nuclear Reactor Safety Program and the Nuclear Material and Waste Safety Program. In developing the budget, the Commission ensured funding availability for high-priority activities.

The NRC's FY 2019 budget request, including for the Office of the Inspector General, is \$970.7 million, including 3,247 full-time equivalents (FTEs). This represents an overall increase of \$59.8 million, or 6.6 percent, yet includes 149 fewer FTE, as compared to the FY 2018 annualized continuing resolution. The FY 2019 request includes \$47.7 million to support activities for the proposed Yucca Mountain deep geologic repository for spent nuclear fuel and other high-level radioactive waste. The FY 2019 request also includes \$10.3 million for further development of the regulatory infrastructure for advanced nuclear reactor technologies.

The NRC stands ready to support your review of this budget request through briefings and responses to questions. Please contact me or have your staff contact Eugene Dacus, Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, at (301) 415-1776, if we may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

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Kristine L. Svinicki

Enclosure:  
As stated

cc: Senator Sheldon Whitehouse

**Identical letters sent to:**

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