

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

September 6, 2018

The Honorable Richard Shelby Chairman, Committee on Appropriations United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, I am submitting a report responsive to direction in the Joint Explanatory Statement accompanying the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018. Specifically, the Commission was asked to report "actions taken to improve the fidelity of agency estimates of necessary FTE levels and to optimize the structure of the agency over the next 5 years, including a review of the size, function, and number of program offices and regional offices."

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

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: As stated

cc: Senator Patrick Leahy

Identical letter sent to:

The Honorable Richard Shelby Chairman, Committee on Appropriations United States Senate Washington, DC 20510 cc: Senator Patrick Leahy

The Honorable Rodney Frelinghuysen Chairman, Committee on Appropriations United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 cc: Representative Nita Lowey