



CHAIRMAN

June 22, 2021

The Honorable Thomas R. Carper  
Chairman, Committee on Environment  
and Public Works  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am transmitting the calendar year 2020 "Report to Congress on the Security Programs for Operating Commercial Nuclear Power Plants and Category I Fuel Cycle Facilities: Results and Status Update." Section 170D.e of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, requires the NRC to submit a report to Congress, in both classified (if needed) and unclassified form, that describes the results of each security response evaluation conducted at NRC-licensed facilities and related corrective actions taken by a licensee during the previous year. For calendar year 2020, there were no items to report that required classified or safeguards markings.


During calendar year 2020, the NRC conducted 162 security inspections at operating commercial nuclear power plants and Category I (CAT I) fuel cycle facilities. These inspections included one full triennial force-on-force (FOF) inspection, and 16 limited-scope tactical response drill exercise inspections that were conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. No CAT I fuel cycle facilities were scheduled for a triennial FOF inspection in 2020. Enclosure 1 discusses security program activities and the publicly available results of security inspections conducted by the NRC at nuclear power plants and CAT I fuel cycle facilities. Enclosure 2 discusses the nonpublic results of the security inspections conducted at nuclear power plants and CAT I fuel cycle facilities. Whenever a finding is identified during a security inspection, the NRC ensures that the licensee implements adequate compensatory measures until the problem is corrected.

Enclosure 1 to this letter will be publicly available. Enclosure 2 contains Security-Related Information in accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Section 2.390, "Public inspections, exemptions, requests for withholding," and its disclosure to unauthorized individuals could present a security vulnerability. Therefore, the material within Enclosure 2 will not be made available to the public. I respectfully request that access to Enclosure 2 be restricted to those who have a need-to-know and the document be handled and stored to prevent access to those without a need-to-know.

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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 additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. T. Hanson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "C" and a distinct "T." followed by the name "Hanson".

Christopher T. Hanson

Enclosures:

1. Publicly Available Report
2. Security-Related Information Report

cc: Senator Shelley Moore Capito

Identical letter sent to:

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