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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
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The Honorable Gene L. Dodaro  
Comptroller General of the United States  
U.S. Government Accountability Office  
441 G Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20548

Dear Mr. Dodaro:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am responding to your April 21, 2021, letter providing an update on the overall status of the NRC's implementation of GAO's recommendations and calling to my attention areas where there are open recommendations that the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) believes the NRC should give high priority. Those recommendations are related to the following: (1) the security of radiological sources, (2) the reliability of cost estimates, and (3) strategic human capital management. The Commission recognizes GAO's concerns regarding the open recommendations and appreciates GAO's recognition that the NRC has closed one priority recommendation since last year and is making progress on other recommendations. Please find in the enclosure an update on the actions that the NRC is taking to address GAO's recommendations.

The NRC also appreciates GAO's efforts to identify opportunities to improve agency operations. We take each GAO recommendation seriously and plan to implement actions as appropriate and commensurate with the significance of each recommendation. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me or John Jolicoeur, Executive Technical Assistant, Office of the Executive Director for Operations, at (301) 415-1642.

Sincerely,

Christopher T. Hanson

Enclosure:  
As stated

cc: M. Gaffigan, GAO  
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