



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

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The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

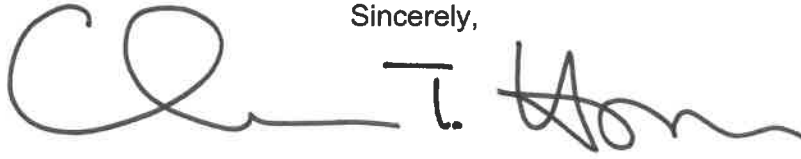
In accordance with Section 651(d) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Public Law 109-58), I am providing the enclosed report documenting the activities, actions, and accomplishments of the Radiation Source Protection and Security Task Force (Task Force) over the past 4 years. The Task Force concluded that there are no significant gaps in the area of radioactive source protection and security that are not already being addressed through continued attention by appropriate Task Force agencies.

The Energy Policy Act of 2005 established the Task Force and charged it with: (1) evaluating and providing recommendations relating to the security of radiation sources in the United States from potential terrorist threats, including acts of sabotage, theft, or use of a radiation source in a radiological dispersal device and (2) submitting, within 1 year of enactment, and not less than once every 4 years thereafter, reports containing its recommendations, including recommendations for appropriate regulatory and legislative changes, to the President and Congress. The Task Force is chaired by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and includes members from 14 Federal agencies. The Organization of Agreement States, which represents all State governments that regulate the use of radiation sources, also participates as a non voting member.

The NRC submitted the last Task Force report to the President and Congress on October 17, 2018. Since that time, the Task Force has routinely met to discuss matters pertaining to the security of radioactive sources. The results of those discussions, including the progress on various initiatives, associated accomplishments, and remaining actions, are documented in the enclosed report. The Task Force did not issue any new recommendations, and it closed one recommendation from previous Task Force reports. Actions for six of the remaining recommendations are ongoing. The Task Force will continue to advance its efforts to complete actions associated with the remaining six recommendations and will take the necessary steps to mitigate any emerging gaps in source protection and security that may arise in the years to come.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. I may be reached by phone at (301) 415-1750.

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

Enclosure:
2022 Radiation Source Protection
and Security Task Force Report

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