April 7, 2026

The Honorable Mike Lee
Chairman, Committee on Energy
and Natural Resources
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Lee:

The Office of the Inspector General (OIG) requests your input on topical or specific areas for the OIG to consider when planning our FY 2027 audit activities involving the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). Consistent with the Inspector General Act, we design our audit planning process to yield assignments that will encourage efficiency, economy, and effectiveness in the NRC's programs and operations; detect and prevent fraud, waste, abuse, and mismanagement; and, improve program and security activities at headquarters and regional locations.

Our office is committed to the independent oversight of the NRC's programs and operations. Developing an effective planning strategy is a critical aspect of accomplishing this commitment and ensures that we use our resources efficiently.

We look forward to your input and respectfully request your response by Friday, June 5, 2026. Please submit your audit suggestions via email to Audit.Comments@nrc.gov. If you need additional information, please call me at 301.415.5930 or Ms. Hruta Virkar, Assistant Inspector General for Audits & Evaluations at 301.415.1982.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Feitel
Inspector General

cc: Senator Martin Heinrich