April 7, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman, Committee on Appropriations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole:

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 Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (DNFSB). Consistent with the Inspector General Act, we design our audit planning process to yield assignments that will encourage efficiency, economy, and effectiveness in the DNFSB's programs and operations; detect and prevent fraud, waste, abuse, and mismanagement; and, improve program and security activities.

Our office is committed to the independent oversight of the DNFSB'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: Representative Rosa DeLauro