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

August 21, 2026

The Honorable Patty Murray
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Murray:

Thank you for your letter dated July 30, 2026, requesting to extend the comment period for the proposed rulemaking, "Reforming and Modernizing the NRC's Radiation Protection Framework" (Docket ID [NRC-2025-1140]).

The staff has evaluated your request and has determined that the current 45-day public comment period is sufficient and will not be extended. Please be assured that throughout this rulemaking, the NRC remains focused on safety and committed to ensuring meaningful public participation. On August 10, 2026, the agency held a public meeting for staff to answer stakeholder questions about the proposed rulemaking, and the agency has made supporting documents publicly available in the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). The agency is also maintaining a dedicated public webpage that tracks the status of all the Executive Order 14300 rulemaking activities, including this proposed rulemaking. We will continue to encourage thorough public discussions and comments about each of the rulemakings we are engaging in, including the "Reforming and Modernizing the NRC's Radiation Protection Framework" proposed rule.

Thank you again for your engagement on these important issues. We look forward to continued dialogue and collaboration as we advance the nation's radiation protection framework.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me or have your staff contact Eugene Dacus, Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, at (301) 415-1776.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Ho K. Nieh", with a stylized, flowing script.

Ho K. Nieh