

March 15, 2012

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr.
President of the Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Biden:

The Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) requires that an agency's Strategic Plan be updated for submission to the Congress and the President every three years. The GPRA Modernization Act of 2010 modified this requirement, requiring an updated Plan to be submitted to the President and Congress by February 2012 and again during February of the following year after a presidential election. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has approved an updated Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2008-2013 to replace the version issued in February 2008. Enclosed is a copy of this updated Strategic Plan.

The NRC's updated Strategic Plan describes the strategic goals and strategic outcomes that support the agency's mission. The NRC's priority continues to be to ensure the adequate protection of public health and safety, promote the common defense and security, and protect the environment.

The two strategic goals for the NRC are safety and security. The goals, along with their associated strategic outcomes, describe the agency's core functions. This focus on safety and security ensures that the NRC remains a strong independent, stable, and effective regulator. The updated Strategic Plan also describes the agency's Organizational Excellence Strategies of openness, effectiveness, and operational excellence. These objectives characterize the manner in which the agency intends to achieve its mission.

The updated Strategic Plan is also available on the NRC web site at <http://www.nrc.gov>. If you have any questions, please contact me or Jennifer Golder at (301) 415-7540.

Sincerely,

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As stated

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