

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

April 28, 2023

The Honorable Patty Murray Chair, Committee on Appropriations United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chair Murray:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), and as directed by the explanatory statement accompanying the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023, I am submitting the NRC's report on its preparedness for accident tolerant fuel (ATF) licensing. The enclosed report focuses on the steps the agency is taking to ensure that ATF licensing, including higher burnup and increased enrichment fuels, support projected deployment schedules.

Please feel free to contact me or have your staff contact Eugene Dacus, Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, at (301) 415-1776, if you have questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Christopher T. Hanson

Enclosure: As stated

cc: Senator Susan Collins

Identical letter sent to:

The Honorable Patty Murray Chair, Committee on Appropriations United States Senate Washington, DC 20510 cc: Senator Susan Collins

The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman, Committee on Appropriations United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 cc: Representative Rosa DeLauro