

March 22, 2002

The Honorable Edward J. Markey
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-2107

Dear Congressman Markey:

In my letter to you of November 13, 2001, I made a commitment to inform you when the NRC reached a decision on whether the agency's plant status reports, which had been removed from our web site following the events of September 11, 2001, would be removed from the web permanently. After careful consideration of this matter, we have decided to restore the plant status report to the web, but in a new format that we believe will facilitate public use of the report, while eliminating any information that would be helpful to an adversary or terrorist. The report is now available on our web site, at www.nrc.gov.

As you will note, our web site has been thoroughly redesigned to make it easier to navigate and find desired information. The new site now contains most of the information included before September 11. We are continuing to review a broad spectrum of information, both on the web site and in other document records, to ensure that only appropriate documents are posted on the web or otherwise publicly released.

Sincerely,

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