November 9, 2011

The Honorable Darrell Issa Chairman, Committee on Oversight and Government Reform United States House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am responding to the U.S. Government Accountability Office's (GAO's) e-mail dated September 20, 2011, requesting a written statement of action on the recommendations outlined in GAO-11-751, "Personal ID Verification: Agencies Should Set a Higher Priority on Using the Capabilities of Standardized Identification Cards," issued September 2011.

The NRC agrees with the report and the recommendation for the NRC to develop and implement procedures to allow staff members needing to access multiple computers simultaneously to use their personal identity verification cards to access each computer. The NRC is currently developing a policy to address this recommendation and expects to complete and implement this policy by the end of fiscal year 2012.

If you have any questions on the NRC's response or require additional information, please contact Ms. Rebecca Schmidt, Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs at 301-415-1776.

Sincerely,

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Gregory B. Jaczko

cc: Representative Elijah E. Cummings

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