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NRC Publishes Annual Report to Congress on Nuclear Security Inspections

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has made available to the public an unclassified version of its annual [report to Congress](#) detailing the previous year's security inspection program. The report is required under the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

The report covers the NRC's security inspection program, including force-on-force exercises, for commercial nuclear power reactors and Category I fuel cycle facilities for calendar year 2014.

“The NRC files this report to inform Congress on our efforts to oversee the protection of the nation's civilian nuclear power infrastructure,” NRC Chairman Stephen G. Burns said. “The NRC is committed to ensuring licensees maintain robust and rigorous physical and cybersecurity programs to protect the facilities we regulate and the materials managed within them.”

In 2014, the NRC updated its force-on-force inspection procedure and continued efforts to review and enhance security inspections at nuclear power plants entering the decommissioning process. Overall, the NRC conducted 233 security inspections, including 23 force-on-force inspections, during 2014. The security program and publicly available results of the inspections are discussed in the report.

Whenever a finding is identified during a security inspection, the NRC ensures the issue is corrected immediately or compensatory measures are put in place, if necessary. Details of security findings are considered sensitive and not released to the public.