Critical Infrastructure in 2008:
A Bibliography of Recent Oversight by
Congress, GAO, and Inspector General Offices

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I. Congressional Oversight for Critical Infrastructure

In the last year, Congress has been applying heightened oversight to critical infrastructure security, as underscored by an expanding number of hearings, reports, and inquiries.

A. House Homeland Security Committee


B. **Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs**

“Protecting Personal Information: Is the Federal Government Doing Enough?”
Hearings before Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (June 18, 2008)

“Lieberman, Collins Say Privacy Policy Needs to Catch Up to Digital Age,”
News Release by Sen. Lieberman and Collins (June 18, 2008)

“It Takes a Village: Community Preparedness,” Hearings before Senate Ad Hoc Subcommittee on State, Local, and Private Sector Preparedness and Integration (June 5, 2008)
(http://hsgac.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?Fuseaction=Hearings.Detail&HearingID=ef12e138-5870-41bc-bbc4-7cb6da6391a4)

“Nuclear Terrorism: Providing Medical Care and Meeting Basic Needs in the Aftermath,” Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (May 15, 2008)
(http://hsgac.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?Fuseaction=Hearings.Detail&HearingID=b4e45fe1-64d8-4b93-8520-77b645c0b74d)


“Nuclear Terrorism: Confronting the Challenges of the Day After,” Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Apr. 15, 2008)
(http://hsgac.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?Fuseaction=Hearings.Detail&HearingID=695d538e-8679-4baf-a060-6ea66a77be41)

(http://hsgac.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?Fuseaction=Hearings.Detail&HearingID=db89f4c3-b2b8-42fd-8dae-934a1b317c35)
“NSPD-54/HSPD-23 and the Comprehensive National Cyber Security Initiative,”
Hearings before Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Mar. 4, 2008)

C. House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

“Federal Security: ID Cards and Background Checks,” Hearings before the House Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement (Apr. 9, 2008)


II. Other Legislative Reports

Both the Government Accountability Office (GAO) and the Congressional Research Service (CRS) have been active on critical infrastructure issues.

A. Government Accountability Office (GAO)

(http://www.gao.gov/new.items/d081157t.pdf)

(http://www.gao.gov/new.items/d081075r.pdf)

“Critical Infrastructure Protection: DHS Needs to Fully Address Lessons Learned from Its First Cyber Storm Exercise,” (GAO-08-825) (Sept. 9, 2008)
(http://www.gao.gov/new.items/d08825r.pdf)

(http://www.gao.gov/new.items/d08851.pdf)


B. Congressional Research Service (CRS)


III. Inspector General Reports

The Inspector General Offices of a number of agencies have been very active in reviewing critical infrastructure programs in the past year.
A. **Department of Homeland Security**

“TSA’s Administration and Coordination of Mass Transit Security Programs,” DHS-OIG (OIG-08-66) (June 2008) (http://www.dhs.gov/xoig/assets/mgmtrpts/OIG_08-66_June08.pdf)


“Additional Controls Can Enhance the Security of the Automated Commercial Environment System,” DHS OIG (OIG-08-64) (June 2008) (http://www.dhs.gov/xoig/assets/mgmtrpts/OIGr_08-64_Jun08.pdf)


B. Department of Energy (DOE)


C. Department of Defense (DOD)


D. Department of Transportation (DOT)


E. Department of Treasury


F. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)


G. General Services Administration (GSA)

“Improvements to the GSA Privacy Act Program Are Needed to Ensure That Personally Identifiable Information (PII) Is Adequately Protected,” GSA OIG (A060228/O/T/F08007) (http://oig.gsa.gov/A060228_2.pdf)

H. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)


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