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NRC Opens Hearing Opportunity for Hermes 2 Test Reactor Facility Construction Permit Application

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has published in the Federal Register a [notice of opportunity](#) to intervene in an adjudicatory hearing on Kairos Power's application for a construction permit to build the Hermes 2 test reactor facility in Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

Petitions to intervene in a hearing must be filed by January 22, 2024, by anyone whose interest may be affected by the proposed issuance of a construction permit and who wishes to participate as a party in the proceeding. More information on the [hearing process](#) is available on the NRC website.

Kairos submitted in July an [application](#) requesting permission to build the facility with two 35-megawatt thermal test reactors that are similar in design to the Hermes design NRC has previously reviewed. The two molten salt-cooled, high-temperature reactors would share a power generation system.

The company will have to submit a separate application for an operating license in the future.