

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

April 6, 2023

The Honorable Shelley Moore Capito United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Capito:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am responding to your letter dated, March 1, 2023, urging the Commission to promptly approve the draft final rule establishing risk-informed emergency preparedness requirements for advanced nuclear reactors.

Thank you for recognizing the significant effort the Commission and NRC staff have expended in developing this draft final rule. I want to assure you that the Commission is actively considering this issue, including the comments received during the public comment period on the proposed rule.

We appreciate your continued interest in the NRC's rulemaking activities and other preparations related to advanced nuclear reactors. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me or have your staff contact Eugene Dacus, Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, at (301) 415-1776.

Sincerely,

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Identical letter sent to:

The Honorable Shelley Moore Capito United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Sheldon Whitehouse United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable John Barrasso United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Mike Crapo United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Cory A. Booker United States Senate Washington, DC 20510