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NRC Accepts Partial Fermi America Combined License Application

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has [accepted for review](#) two initial submissions of a Combined License application from Fermi America LLC, containing sufficient design information for four [Westinghouse AP1000 reactors](#) near Amarillo in Carson County, Texas.

The company submitted the [first portion](#) of the application on June 17, providing general, financial and environmental information. Fermi America submitted the [second portion](#) on August 20, providing non-site-specific technical chapters of the final safety analysis report featuring the AP1000 standard certified design and other supplemental information.

As part of its ongoing efforts to improve regulatory efficiency, the NRC is exploring innovative approaches to environmental reviews. The agency is working with Fermi America in a pilot program to develop an applicant-prepared document under the National Environmental Policy Act. Fermi America is expected to submit site-specific information throughout 2026. The proposed reactors would be part of a hybrid energy and data infrastructure project.

At the appropriate time, the NRC will publish a notice of opportunity to request an adjudicatory hearing on the application before the NRC's Atomic Safety and Licensing Board. More information about new reactor licensing is available on the NRC [website](#).

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission was created as an expert, technical agency to protect public health, safety, and security, and regulate the civilian use of nuclear materials, including enabling the deployment of nuclear power for the benefit of society. Among other responsibilities, the agency issues licenses, conducts inspections, initiates and enforces regulations, and plans for incident response. The global gold standard for nuclear regulation, the NRC is collaborating with interagency partners to implement reforms outlined in new Executive Orders and the ADVANCE Act to streamline agency activities and enhance efficiency.