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I would like to express my support for reducing the Emergency Planning Zone for Small Module Reactors as proposed. The risks of doing so, in my opinion, are much smaller than the impact it will have on the development of SMRs. SMRs, and other nuclear energy technology, are the best and biggest sources of emissions-free energy, which will prevent millions of premature deaths and help significantly reduce the amount of CO2 being emitted into the atmosphere. SMRs have robust containment requirements and are all designed to restrict any release of radioactivity to such a small amount that it is not necessary to make elaborate plans for a large EPZ. Planning for what goes on inside the fence is more than adequate.

In summary, the benefits to mankind and the environment that we get from more nuclear energy overwhelmingly outweigh any small risk that might be incurred from reducing the EPZ.

Let's encourage SMR developers and remove as many roadblocks as possible, for them to safely and successfully deploy their technology.

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