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Please find the attached comments on behalf of Mr. Jovice Riznic.

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Regards,

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Dear Mr. Erwin,

I am writing this letter to indicate my overwhelming support for the NRC intent to scope and prepare an Advanced Nuclear Reactor Generic Environmental Impact Statement (ANR GEIS) for deployment of future small scale advanced nuclear reactors. I believe that this effort is well founded on engineering and scientific principles and will be an overall benefit to not only the industry but to society as well. The use of a technology neutral approach to develop a bonding environmental envelope seems to be a technically correct and appropriate methodology.

I believe that the overall impact of nuclear power on the US economy and environment has been positive and nuclear power should continue to be a resource for clean abundant electrical energy. It is a well known fact that the use of nuclear power as a resource to provide electrical power to a large percentage of consumers has a decidedly positive effect on the overall environment of the community as well as on the local population. I personally applaud the NRC for taking the very logical and necessary approach to reducing the overall regulatory burden and streamlining the approval process for siting of this new generation of advanced reactors based on a size and risk approach.

Furthermore, I view the proposed approach to scoping for the ANR GEIS, as described in Section III of NRC 2020-0101-002 Request for comments to be both reasonable and prudent in facilitating comments from concerned individuals and ensuring a robust environmental approval process.

My only comment to the proposed approach is that the 30MWt upper bound for use of this process may become overly limiting in its application and I would urge the NRC to consider a higher upper limit to the use of this approach to be more inclusive of advanced reactor technologies.

Sincerely yours,

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