

July 31, 2025

The Honorable David Wright, Chairman
The Honorable Annie Caputo, Commissioner
The Honorable Bradley Crowell, Commissioner
The Honorable Matthew Marzano, Commissioner
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Subject: Industry Recommendations on Accelerating NRC Reform

Dear Commissioners:

The Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI)¹, on behalf of its members, appreciates the opportunity to provide the enclosed report outlining specific recommendations to implement the May 23, 2025, Executive Order 14300, "Ordering the Reform of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission." This Executive Order (EO) marks a critical opportunity to transition the NRC to a more deployment-oriented, risk-informed, and performance-based framework that fully enables the next era of U.S. nuclear innovation, essential for American energy independence, resilience, and security.

We are encouraged by the progress the NRC has made under the ADVANCE Act and other modernization initiatives. However, to effectively respond to EO 14300 and meet the nation's surging demand for reliable electricity, the agency must pursue more substantial reforms and accelerate its efforts. The enclosed report is provided to assist the Commission as it directs, reviews and approves the staff's efforts to implement the EO.

We believe our recommendations will maintain safety while significantly increasing the effectiveness and efficiency of the agency. NEI and the industry stand ready to work with the NRC to ensure the success of these transformational efforts.

Sincerely,



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Sr. Vice President & Chief Nuclear Officer

Enclosure

cc: Michael King, Acting Executive Director for Operations

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