

POLICY ISSUE
NOTATION VOTE

RESPONSE SHEET

TO: Carrie M. Safford, Secretary

FROM: Chairman Wright

SUBJECT: SECY-25-0052: Nth-of-a-Kind Microreactor Licensing and Deployment Considerations

Approved X **Disapproved** **Abstain** **Not Participating**

COMMENTS: **Below** X **Attached** **None**

In SECY-25-0052, the NRC staff recommends that the Commission authorize finality for standard operational programs submitted as part of design certification and manufacturing license reviews for microreactors. Providing finality to standard operational programs reflects a forward-leaning, risk-informed approach that can enhance regulatory clarity and efficiency, without compromising safety. Therefore, I approve Option 2. Because some elements of operational programs are inherently site-specific and will need to be addressed at the operating license stage, the staff should develop or update the appropriate guidance documents to clearly delineate site-specific aspects of operational programs that must be addressed by the operating license applicant.

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Yes X

No

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