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The Honorable Doug Burgum
Secretary of the Interior
U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C Street NW
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Dear Secretary Burgum:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am providing the agency's status report as required by Section 5(c) of the January 20, 2025, Executive Order (EO) 14156, entitled "Declaring a National Energy Emergency." On March 13, 2025, in accordance with Section 5(a) of the EO, the NRC submitted our initial summary report listing planned or potential actions to facilitate the Nation's energy supply that may be subject to the Endangered Species Act regulation on consultations in emergencies. Section 5(c) further directs the heads of agencies to then submit a status report at least every 30 days for the duration of the national emergency following the submission of the initial summary report.

The NRC's status report is enclosed. The changes since the NRC's last status report are as follows:

The status of the following planned or potential license application has changed.

- Energy Northwest Small Modular Reactor Project, Xe-100 Construction Permit Application has been renamed by the prospective applicant to Cascade Advanced Energy Facility, Xe-100 Construction Permit Application.

Per the direction in Section 5(c) of EO 14156, the NRC will continue to provide these status reports at least every 30 days for the duration of the declared national energy emergency. Please feel free to contact me or have your staff contact Michael King, Executive Director for Operations, via email at Michael.King2@nrc.gov or via telephone at 301-415-1700, if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

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