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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 (ESA) 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 described in subsection (a)(ii).

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

The following projects have been removed from this report because the ESA Section 7 consultations have been completed.

- Long Mott Generating Station (Long Mott Energy, LLC, a subsidiary of The Dow Chemical Company) (X-Energy Xe-100 technology), Construction Permit Application (Department of Energy (DOE) Advance Reactor Demonstration Program (ARDP) Awardee)
- Duane Arnold Energy Center (NextEra Energy Duane Arnold, LLC), License Amendment Requests to restart operation of the power plant
- St. Lucie, Units 1 and 2 (Florida Power & Light Co.), exceedance of incidental take statement for species listed under the ESA

The following project applications have been accepted and moved from Planned or Potential Licensing Actions to Current Licensing Reviews.

- Nine Mile Point, Unit 1 (Constellation Energy Generation, LLC), Subsequent License Renewal
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign High-Temperature Gas-Cooled Research Reactor (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), Construction Permit Application

The NRC has issued subsequent renewed licenses for the following project. Although ESA consultation remains ongoing, the NRC staff has determined that the issuance of the licenses before the completion of the consultation is consistent with ESA Section 7(d), in part because the renewed licenses include conditions that require the licensee's compliance with any resulting biological opinion.¹

- St. Lucie Plant, Units 1 and 2 (Florida Power & Light Co.), Subsequent License Renewal

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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Enclosure:
As Stated

¹ The NRC's April 28, 2026, record of decision (ROD) explains the staff's rationale for this decision in more detail (ADAMS Accession No. ML26026A011).

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