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Subject:	NRC Completeness Determination (Form 898) for BlueCore"s QAPD Topical Report
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Dear BlueCore Team,

By letter dated October 16, 2026 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Package Accession No. ML26290A001), BlueCore Energy, Inc. (herein referred to as BlueCore or the applicant) submitted topical report (TR), BLU-QAPD-000001, Revision 0, "Quality Assurance Program Description: Nautilus Floating Nuclear Power Plant," for the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) review and approval pursuant to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) Part 50, Appendix B. The NRC staff has reviewed the submitted information and found that it contains sufficient information to begin its detailed technical safety review. Attached is NRC Form 898, which documents the NRC staff's topical report completeness determination.

A preliminary review schedule was discussed with a member of your staff, Mr. Tony Mack, on November 13, 2026, based on the NRC staff's cursory review for sufficiency and completeness. As necessary, the NRC staff will open an audit to facilitate a more effective and efficient review by allowing the NRC staff to review and discuss any additional supporting material. If necessary, the NRC staff will issue requests for additional information (RAIs) by March 5, 2027. The NRC staff expect to provide the safety evaluation with no open items to BlueCore for proprietary material and fact check review by April 16, 2027, and the final safety evaluation by May 28, 2027. This schedule is based on the assumption that the applicant will submit an acceptable response within 30 days of receiving the staff's RAIs, if any, and no additional rounds of RAIs are needed. The NRC staff will inform the applicant of any changes to the estimated completion date.

The NRC staff estimates that the review will require approximately 100 staff hours. Because BlueCore's Regulatory Engagement Plan (ADAMS Package Accession No. ML26261A478) identifies the intent to submit a future qualifying application and has satisfied the requirements in the Final Fee Rule, these activities will be billed under the Reduced Hourly Rate fee structure.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (630) 829-9842 or Megan.Gangewere@nrc.gov.

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Sincerely,

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