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## NRC Seeks Industry Input on Future New Reactor Licensing Plans

**ROCKVILLE, Md.** — The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is [encouraging](#) existing or potential applicants for new reactor-related activities to share planning information through fiscal year 2028.

NRC staff published the Regulatory Issue Summary so the agency can best understand industry interest in order to most effectively set budgets for licensing reviews and inspection support needed to safely enable new nuclear technologies. The RIS reminds potential applicants that the earliest possible engagement with the NRC, including responding to the document, helps produce the most efficient reviews.

The RIS asks reactor developers, existing license holders and existing or potential licensing applicants to voluntarily outline the types, quantity and timelines of expected requests for license amendments, preapplication interactions or new licensing applications. Additional topics include potential reactor technologies and fuels, collaboration with the Department of Energy or academic institutions, and projected construction schedules.

The NRC is also reminding advanced reactor applicants and pre-applicants that they may qualify for [reduced licensing fees](#) under provisions of the ADVANCE Act, passed in 2024. Advanced nuclear pre-applicants are encouraged to submit a licensing project plan (or regulatory engagement plan) and periodically submit updates with planned activities to qualify for the reduced licensing fees.

Additional information for companies considering applying for NRC licensing products is available on the agency [website](#).

*The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission was created as an expert, technical agency to protect public health, safety, and security, and regulate the civilian use of nuclear materials, including enabling the deployment of nuclear power for the benefit of society. Among other responsibilities, the agency issues licenses, conducts inspections, initiates and enforces regulations, and plans for incident response. The NRC is collaborating with interagency partners to implement reforms outlined in new Executive Orders and the ADVANCE Act to streamline agency activities and enhance efficiency.*