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**UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

June 22, 2016

**COMMISSION VOTING RECORD**

DECISION ITEM: SECY-16-0069

TITLE: RULEMAKING PLAN ON EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FOR  
SMALL MODULAR REACTORS AND OTHER NEW  
TECHNOLOGIES

The Commission acted on the subject paper as recorded in the Staff Requirements Memorandum (SRM) of June 22, 2016.

This Record contains a summary of voting on this matter together with the individual vote sheets, views and comments of the Commission.

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Annette L. Vietti-Cook  
Secretary of the Commission

Enclosures:

1. Voting Summary
2. Commissioner Vote Sheets

cc: Chairman Burns  
Commissioner Svinicki  
Commissioner Ostendorff  
Commissioner Baran  
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VOTING SUMMARY – SECY-16-0069

RECORDED VOTES

	<u>APPROVED</u>	<u>DISAPPROVED</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>NOT</u> <u>PARTICIPATING</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Chrm. Burns	X				X	06/20/16
Cmr. Svinicki	X				X	06/09/16
Cmr. Ostendorff	X				X	06/08/16
Cmr. Baran	X				X	06/15/16

## RESPONSE SHEET

TO: Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary

FROM: Chairman Burns

SUBJECT: SECY-16-0069: RULEMAKING PLAN ON  
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MODULAR REACTORS AND OTHER NEW  
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Approved   X   Disapproved        Abstain        Not Participating       

COMMENTS: Below   X   Attached        None       

I approve the plan and schedule for the rulemaking pertaining to emergency preparedness for small modular reactors and other new technologies, such as non-light-water reactors and medical isotope production facilities. I also approve the staff's recommendation for review by the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards during the development of the regulatory basis, proposed rule, and final rule.

### Entered in STARS

Yes   x  

No       



Signature

20 June 2016

Date

## RESPONSE SHEET

TO: Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary

FROM: COMMISSIONER SVINICKI

SUBJECT: SECY-16-0069: RULEMAKING PLAN ON  
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TECHNOLOGIES

Approved XX Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ Not Participating \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS: Below XX Attached \_\_\_\_\_ None \_\_\_\_\_

I approve the staff's rulemaking plan and the staff's recommendation that review by the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards is warranted. I approve the staff's proposed schedule, as a preliminary schedule. In light of the fact that an early site permit application referencing a plant parameter envelope small modular reactor has already been filed with the agency, however, the staff should re-designate this rulemaking as high priority and should seek schedule efficiencies that would shorten the schedule between completion of the regulatory basis in March of 2017 and publication of the final rule in April of 2020.

  
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## RESPONSE SHEET

TO: Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary

FROM: Commissioner Ostendorff

SUBJECT: SECY-16-0069: RULEMAKING PLAN ON  
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TECHNOLOGIES

Approved XX Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ Not Participating \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS: Below XX Attached \_\_\_\_\_ None \_\_\_\_\_

As I stated in my vote on SECY-15-0077, this rulemaking will provide greater clarity and regulatory stability for future applicants and greater transparency for all stakeholders as the agency considers the appropriate EP requirements for small modular reactors and other new technologies. As such, I approve the staff's plan and schedule for this rulemaking including the staff's proposed interactions with the Advisory Committee for Reactor Safeguards and other stakeholders such as the Federal Emergency Management Agency, as noted in the paper.

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Yes X

No \_\_\_\_\_

  
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Signature

6/8/16  
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Date



## RESPONSE SHEET

**TO:** Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary

**FROM:** Commissioner Baran

**SUBJECT:** SECY-16-0069: RULEMAKING PLAN ON  
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TECHNOLOGIES

Approved  X  Disapproved   Abstain   Not Participating

COMMENTS: Below  X  Attached   None

I continue to believe that a rulemaking on emergency preparedness for small modular reactors and other new technologies, such as non-light-water reactors and medical isotope production facilities, will provide regulatory certainty to potential applicants and offer the public an opportunity to comment on novel approaches to emergency preparedness. Without a rulemaking, potential applicants likely would seek exemptions from NRC's existing emergency planning zone requirements, which were established for large light-water reactors. Relying on the exemption process would result in NRC making important and potentially controversial safety decisions without hearing the views of interested stakeholders. I anticipate that there will be a high level of stakeholder interest in this rulemaking and that there will be many public comments for the staff to consider with an open mind. Therefore, I approve the staff's recommended schedule for the rulemaking and its plan to seek Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards review during the development of the regulatory basis, proposed rule, and final rule.

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Yes  XX

No

Jeff Baran  
Signature

6/15/16  
Date