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General Comment

The United States has sadly lagged behind many other developed and developing countries in deploying modern nuclear power infrastructure. Regulations intended for large, one-off, bespoke reactor facilities should not apply to modern modular and manufacturable reactor designs. As it stands, nuclear energy is the most promising option available for energy which will mitigate long-term climate change, and more short-term and local air quality emissions, while providing the affordable, reliable base-load energy generation capacity necessary for a leading developed economy. Furthermore, it relies less on environmentally-damaging rare earth minerals often sourced from adversarial foreign nations. With this in mind, I support the notion of an advanced nuclear reactor generic environmental impact statement.