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SUBJECT: FERMI AMERICA, LLC - NOTICE OF THE ISSUANCE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR THE PROJECT MATADOR ADVANCED ENERGY AND INTELLIGENCE CAMPUS AP1000 UNITS 1-4 COMBINED LICENSE APPLICATION, DRAFT REPORT FOR COMMENT (DOCKET NUMBERS: 05200051, 05200052, 05200053, AND 05200054)

Dear Mesut Uzman:

On June 17, 2025, Fermi America, LLC (Fermi America) submitted the initial portion of its combined operating license application (COLA) for the construction and operation of a new nuclear facility in Carson County, Texas (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML25169A395) to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). The proposed facility would consist of four AP1000 reactors—Project Matador Nuclear (PMN) Units 1 through 4—and would be located at the Project Matador campus in Carson County, Texas, adjacent to the U.S. Department of Energy's Pantex Plant. On August 20, 2025, Fermi America submitted the second part of the COLA. In a letter dated November 4, 2025, Fermi America agreed to participate in the NRC's voluntary pilot program for the preparation of an applicant-prepared National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 4336a(f), "Sponsor preparation." As lead agency, the NRC staff provided guidance, feedback, and oversight in the preparation of the draft environmental impact statement (EIS).

The NRC has completed the draft EIS, "Environmental Impact Statement for the Combined License Application for the Project Matador Advanced Energy and Intelligence Campus AP1000 Units 1–4," (ML26261A417). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC website at https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams. The draft EIS is also available from the NRC's Fermi America website: https://www.nrc.gov/facilities-safety/new-reactors/large-light-water-reactors/combined-license-applications-for-new-reactors/fermi-america-president-donald-j-trump-advanced-energy-and-intelligence-campus-units-1-4.

After weighing the environmental, economic, technical, and other benefits against environmental and other costs, and considering reasonable alternatives, the review team's preliminary recommendation is that the NRC issue the requested COLA for PMN Units 1–4 contingent upon successful completion of the safety review and unless safety issues mandate otherwise. The NRC staff based its preliminary recommendation on:

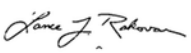
- the NRC staff's independent environmental review
- the NRC staff's assessment of the applicant-prepared EIS

- the NRC staff's consultation with Federal, State, and local agencies and Indian Tribes
- the NRC staff's consideration of public comments received during the scoping process

The NRC staff has prepared a *Federal Register* notice (FR) to advise the public of the availability of the draft EIS and anticipates the notice will be published on October 9, 2026. A separate Notice of Availability of the draft EIS will be placed in the *FR* through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and is expected on the same date. The public comment period on the draft EIS will last 45-days and end on November 23, 2026.

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact Lance Rakovan via email at Lance.Rakovan@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,



Signed by Lance Rakovan on 10/01/26

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