### **Under Construction:** Where to Next?

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# **Marc Nichol - Biography**

- Senior Director, New Reactors
  - Lead industry's efforts to improve regulatory, policy and business environment for new reactors.
- Joined NEI in 2011
- Nuclear Energy Institute
  - Policy Organization for Nuclear Energy Industry
  - Hundreds of members, U.S. and international
  - Nuclear plant owners, developers, suppliers, service companies, universities
  - Promote the use and growth of nuclear energy
  - Unifying voice before Congress, Executive Branch, States, Regulators and public





## **Urgent need for advanced reactors**

#### • NEI letter to NRC:

 "NRC's licensing process and regulation of new and advanced reactors has a direct impact on the ability of these technologies to benefit society and help the nation meet its energy, environmental, economic and national security goals."

#### • Congressional letter:

 "Delaying or, even worse, missing the window to develop, license, and deploy advanced nuclear technologies, will substantially hinder our ability to reduce greenhouse gas emissions."



## **Key regulatory objectives**

- Streamlining of regulatory processes
  - Review efficiency and timeliness
  - Application review experience
  - Technology Inclusive Content of Application
- Resolution of key generic technical or policy topics
  - Emergency Planning Zone
  - Physical Security
  - Siting
- Modernize the regulations
  - Generic Environmental Impact Statement
  - Part 50/52 lessons learned
  - Part 53

