STATE OF INDIANA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT INDIANAPOLIS

EXECUTIVE ORDER ____25-48

FOR:

CREATING ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY AND SECURING INDIANA'S ENERGY FUTURE THROUGH ADVANCED NUCLEAR DEVELOPMENT

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS.

- **WHEREAS**, the State of Indiana recognizes the importance of nuclear energy as a sustainable, clean, and reliable source of power to meet the energy needs of future generations;
- WHEREAS, the State of Indiana seeks to position itself as a leading state for nuclear energy development over the next decade by unlocking the potential of nuclear energy to address gaps in the state's mid-to-long-term power generation mix for flexible, 24/7 dispatchable generation;
- WHEREAS, advanced nuclear energy technologies represent a transformative opportunity to bolster Indiana's energy security, economic growth, and environmental stewardship; and
- WHEREAS, collaboration among government officials, industry representatives, academic institutions, and other relevant stakeholders is essential to drive innovation and facilitate the development of nuclear energy projects within the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MIKE BRAUN, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby order that:

- 1. The Secretary of Energy & Natural Resources shall establish the Nuclear Indiana Coalition (the "Coalition") to advance the development of nuclear energy and small modular reactors in Indiana, as well as attract nuclear energy industry supply partners to the state. The Coalition shall be an ongoing effort.
- 2. The Coalition shall:
 - a. Explore federal programs that reduce the cost of deploying nuclear energy in the state of Indiana;
 - b. Identify and address regulatory constraints and improve coordination with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to streamline nuclear project development;
 - c. Engage developers, utilities, and major electricity consumers to cultivate public-private partnerships for enabling nuclear energy development;
 - d. Develop state-level policies to support nuclear energy deployment and assess the feasibility of nuclear power projects, including advanced nuclear technologies;
 - e. Prioritize efforts to streamline any required permitting, including pursuing primacy on any federal permitting programs so that permitting can be completed within the State of Indiana; and
 - f. Provide education and outreach on modern nuclear energy for specific communities deemed appropriate for developing nuclear energy generation and for all Hoosiers.
- 3. The Coalition shall consist of:
 - a. Representatives from the Indiana Office of Energy Development, the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission, the Office of the Utility Consumer Counselor, the Indiana Department of Homeland Security, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, the Indiana Economic

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Development Corporation, and any other relevant state agencies;

- b. Representatives from the nuclear energy industry, utilities, and academic experts; and
- c. Additional stakeholders deemed necessary to ensure robust collaboration and knowledge sharing to advance the state's efforts in pursuing nuclear energy.
- 4. The Coalition shall provide regular updates and recommendations in the form of an annual report to the Governor provided by December 31 each year outlining the Coalition's findings, actions, and proposed initiatives to advance nuclear energy in Indiana.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I,

Mike Braun, have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Indiana on this 10th day of April, 2025.

Mike Braun

Governor of Indiana

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ATTEST:

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