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According to Glotfelty, working group goals include:

- Studying technological advances in nuclear energy production, particularly regarding public safety.
- Mapping the state's role in deploying and using advanced nuclear reactors.
- Identifying existing and potential federal and state incentives.
- Determining nuclear-specific changes needed in the ERCOT market.
- Identifying any specific federal and state regulatory impediments to development.
- Considering possibilities for the state to streamline and accelerate permitting through the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
- Encouraging development of a robust supply chain.

REGULATORY ACTION

NRC okays license transfers for Energy Harbor plants

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has approved the transfer of the operating licenses for four reactors and their associated spent fuel storage facilities from Energy Harbor Nuclear Corporation to Vistra Operations Company, the agency announced September 29.

A necessary step in Vistra's proposed acquisition of Energy Harbor, the approval covers Pennsylvania's Beaver Valley-1 and -2 and Ohio's Davis-Besse-1 and Perry-1.

According to the announcement, the NRC staff's review of the license transfer application concluded that Vistra is financially and technically qualified to conduct the activities

authorized by the licenses. Staff also found that Vistra satisfies the NRC's decommissioning funding assurance requirements and that the facilities are not owned, controlled, or dominated by a foreign entity.

Announced in March, the proposed transaction would merge Vistra's nuclear and retail

businesses—including Texas's Comanche Peak nuclear plant—and its Vistra Zero renewables and storage projects with Energy Harbor's nuclear and retail businesses under a new subsidiary holding company dubbed

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