

USNIC Statement on the Nomination of Gov. Rick Perry for Secretary of Energy

We look forward to working with Governor Perry as the next Secretary of Energy. Governor Perry brings significant management experience as the longest serving Governor in the history of Texas. He has dealt with formidable state energy and nuclear energy resources, which include four nuclear reactors, thousands of nuclear-related jobs, the U.S.'s largest nuclear engineering program at Texas A&M, a pending two-unit expansion at the South Texas Project and a key nuclear weapons facility. Governor Perry was a tour de force as the lead promoter for Texas Inc. during his time as Governor with tangible results. We are confident he will bring similar vitality and focus to U.S. nuclear energy leadership, particularly given nuclear energy's key strategic role in jobs, exports, competitiveness, energy independence, clean energy and national security.

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