NONRENEWABLE ENERGY

E
electric generator a device that converts mechanical energy into electrical energy

F
fossil fuel a nonrenewable energy resource formed from the remains of organisms that lived long ago; examples include oil, coal, and natural gas

N
nuclear energy the energy released by a fission or fusion reaction; the binding energy of the atomic nucleus
nuclear fission the splitting of the nucleus of a large atom into two or more fragments; releases additional neutrons and energy
nuclear fusion the combination of the nuclei of small atoms to form a larger nucleus; releases energy

O
oil reserves oil deposits that are discovered and are in commercial production

P
petroleum a liquid mixture of complex hydrocarbon compounds; used widely as a fuel source