2030: Future Nuclear Technology and Applications

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NuScale SMR Overview

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Innovation and ingenuity for a new day of energy





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A bold, new energy source

- **Smarter energy** flexible design can support multiple applications, integrate with renewables resources, provide highly reliable power to mission critical facilities, and serve as clean baseload power.
- Cleaner Energy 100% carbon-free energy as clean as wind or solar – with a small land footprint.
- Safer Energy should it become necessary, NuScale's SMR shuts itself down and self-cools for an indefinite period of time, with no operator action required, no additional water, and no AC or DC power needed.
- Cost Competitive the NuScale SMR is far less complex than other designs. Off-site fabrication and assembly reduce cost. Components are delivered to the site in ready-to-install form. All of this results in construction occurring in a shorter, more predicable period of time.

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Who is NuScale Power?

- NuScale Power was formed in 2007 for the sole purpose of completing the design and commercializing a small modular reactor (SMR) – the NuScale Power Module[™].
- Initial concept had been in development and testing since the 2000 U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) MASLWR program.
- Fluor, global engineering and construction company, became lead investor in 2011.
- In 2013, NuScale won a \$226M competitive U.S. DOE Funding Opportunity for matching funds.
- >400 patents granted or pending in nearly 20 countries.
- >350 employees in 6 offices in the U.S. and 1 office in the U.K.
- Making substantial progress with a rigorous design review by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).
 - Phase 4 of NRC Review is on schedule for completion December 2019.
- Total investment in NuScale to date ~US\$800M.
- On track for first plant operation in 2026 in the U.S.



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One-third scale NIST-1 Test Facility



NuScale Control Room Simulator



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Core Technology: NuScale Power Module

- A NuScale Power Module[™] (NPM) includes the reactor vessel, steam generators, pressurizer, and containment in an integral package – simple design that eliminates reactor coolant pumps, large bore piping and other systems and components found in large conventional reactors.
- Each module produces up to 60 MWe
 - small enough to be factory built for easy transport and installation
 - dedicated power conversion system for flexible, independent operation
 - incrementally added to match load growth
 - up to **12 modules for 720 MWe** gross (684 MWe net) total output

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Simplicity Enhances Safety

Natural Convection for Cooling

 Passively safe - cooling water circulates through the nuclear core by natural convection eliminating the need for pumps

Seismically Robust

 System submerged in a belowgrade pool of water in an earthquake and aircraft impact resistant building

Simple and Small

- Reactor core is 1/20th the size of large reactor cores
- Integrated reactor design no largebreak loss-of-coolant accidents

Defense-in-Depth

 Multiple additional barriers to protect against the release of radiation to the environment



Conduction – the water heated by the nuclear reaction (primary water) transfers its heat through the walls of the tubes in the steam generator, heating the water inside the tubes (secondary water) and turning it to steam. This heat transfer cools the primary water.

Convection – energy from the nuclear reaction heats the primary water causing it to rise by convection and buoyancy through the riser, much like a chimney effect

Gravity | Buoyancy – colder (denser) primary water "falls" to bottom of reactor pressure vessel, and the natural circulation cycle continues

Second-to-none safety case – site boundary Emergency Planning Zone capable



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NuScale Plant Site Overview





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A New Approach to Construction and Operation





Factory Fabrication



Low carbon, secure electricity



Housed in a 12 module reactor building



Shipped by truck, rail or barge



To the plant site



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Beyond Baseload: NuScale Diverse Energy Platform



Oil Refineries Study - Reduction of Carbon Emissions (Fluor and NuScale)

HYDROGEN PRODUCTION

Hydrogen Production Study - High Temperature Steam Electrolysis (INL and NuScale)

DESALINATION

Desalination Study - Sized for the Carlsbad Site (Aquatech and NuScale)



MISSION CRITICAL FACILITIES

Reliable Power for Mission Critical Facilities (NuScale)

WIND

Integration with wind study - Horse Butte Site (UAMPS, ENW and NuScale)

Reports for associated technical studies are available at: www.nuscalepower.com/technology/technical-publications



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Load-Following with Wind



NuScale design meets or exceeds EPRI Utility Requirements Document (URD), Rev. 13, load following and other ancillary service requirements.



NuScale Co-Generation Studies

Oil Refinery Study Reducing Carbon Emissions (Fluor and NuScale)

10-Module Plant coupled to a 250,000 barrels/d refinery, thus avoiding ~230 MT/hr CO₂ emissions

Desalination Study for Clean Water and Electricity (Aquatech and NuScale)



8-Module Plant producing 60 Mgal per day of clean water plus ~400 MWe to the grid



High-Temp Steam Electrolysis for Carbonfree Hydrogen Production (INL and NuScale)

6-Module Plant producing ~240 tons per day carbon-free hydrogen for ammonia plant





A New Level of Plant Resiliency



Island Mode/Loss of Offsite Power A single module can power the entire plant in case of loss of the grid; no operator or computer actions, AC/DC power or additional water required to keep the reactors safe



First Responder Power

On loss of the offsite grid, through variable (0% to 100%) steam bypass, all 12 modules can remain at power and be available to provide electricity to the grid as soon as the grid is restored



Resilience to Natural Events

Reactor modules and fuel pool located below grade in a Seismic Category 1 Building

- Capable of withstanding a Fukushima type seismic event
- Capable of withstanding hurricanes, tornados, and floods



Electromagnetic Pulse (EMP/GMD)

Resilience to solar-induced geomagnetic disturbances (GMDs) and electromagnetic pulse (EMP) events beyond current nuclear fleet.





Resilience to Aircraft Impact

Reactor building is able to withstand aircraft impact as specified by the NRC aircraft impact rule



Cybersecurity

Module and plant protection systems are non-microprocessor based using field programmable gate arrays that do not use software and are therefore not vulnerable to internet cyber-attacks



NuScale Micro-Reactor Concepts

10-50 MWe Micro-NuScale Power Module™

- Builds on NuScale's existing technology; intended for:
 - Supplying power to communities with small grids,
 - Remote and off-grid communities
 - Off-grid industrial facilities
 - Long duration remote mining
 - Stationary / permanent military installations
- Design imperatives include:
 - Reduced construction time
 - Simplified operations
 - Increased fuel cycle length

1-10 MWe Heat Pipe Reactor

- Simple and inherently safe compact heat pipe cooled reactor concept that require little site infrastructure, can be rapidly deployed, and are fully automated during power operation
- Applications include:
 - Remote small off-grid communities with seasonal fuel transportation delivery limitations
 - Remote mining operations with a short lifespan
 - Temporary power for disaster relief
 - Power in space

Current Progress in Commercialization: Licensing, Supply Chain, and Customers

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Blazing the Trail to Commercialization





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First SMR to Undergo Licensing in the U.S.

- Design Certification Application (DCA) completed in ٠ December 2016
- Docketed and review commenced by U.S. Nuclear • Regulatory Commission (NRC) in March 2017
- Phase 4 of the NRC review on schedule for completion • December 2019. Technical review would be completed.
- NRC has published its review and approval schedule; to be approved in September 2020

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- 12,000+ pages
- **14 Topical Reports**
- >2 million labor hours
- >800 people
- >50 supplier/partners
- Over \$500M





Factory Fabrication

- NuScale Power Modules[™] (NPMs) are produced in a factory and then shipped onsite to be installed in the reactor building.
- In 2018, BWX Technologies, Inc. (BWXT) was selected to provide manufacturing input leading to fabricating the first NuScale Power Modules[™].
 - The decision follows a rigorous 18-month selection process, with expressed interest from 83 companies based in 10 countries.
 - BWXT and NuScale are collaborating to update the design optimizing for manufacturing and transportation and reducing overall costs of the NPMs.
- In 2019, Doosan Heavy Industries and Construction Co., Ltd. (DHIC) and NuScale signed an MOU for strategic cooperation to support deployment of the NPM worldwide. DHIC will bring its expertise in nuclear pressure vessel manufacturing and will join the larger U.S.-led manufacturing team.
- Manufacturing trials are planned for 2020.

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First Deployment: UAMPS Carbon Free Power Project

- Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems (UAMPS) provides energy services to communityowned power systems throughout the Intermountain West.
- First deployment will be a **12-module plant (720 MWe)** within the Idaho National Laboratory (INL) site, slated for commercial operation in 2026.
- DOE awarded \$16.5 million in matching funds to perform site selection, secure site and water, and prepare combined operating license application to NRC.
- Joint Use Modular Plant (JUMP) Program: INL-DOE will lease one of the modules in the 12-module plant, for research purposes, an additional module may be used in a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) to provide power to INL.



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International Opportunities

- NuScale informed the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) of its intention to submit an application under the prelicensing vendor design review process and signed MOUs with Ontario Power Generation (OPG) and Bruce Power
- NuScale has been actively involved in the United Kingdom's SMR market and continues to support UK government SMR program initiatives
- NuScale and Nuclearelectrica SA signed MOU to explore SMRs for **Romania**
- NuScale signed MOU with Jordan Atomic Energy Commission (JAEC) to evaluate NuScale's SMR for use in Jordan
- Many international opportunities for NuScale SMR deployment in Eastern Europe, the Middle East, Southeast Asia, and Sub-Saharan Africa

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The Future of Energy is Here



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Role of Advanced Reactors

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Learning Objectives, Outline/Major Themes

- Summary of advanced reactors being considered
- Attributes—
- Roles—
 - Improved safety case
 - Resilience
 - Hybrid energy
 - Dual markets
 - Need for GHG free technologies across many energy sector...
 - Economics (unproven for all concepts)



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The Evolution of Nuclear Power





Conceptual Mapping of Generation IV Nuclear Reactor Concepts



(Adapted from Corradini, M. L. *Rohsenow Symposium on Future Trends in Heat Transfer*, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, MA. 16 May 2003.)



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High Temperature Sodium Fast Reactors Fluoride High Gas-Cooled Reactors **Temperature Reactors** n-Vessel Transfer Machine (IVTM) **Rotatable Plug** Intermediate Heat Exchanger (IHX) (2x) Electromagnetic (EM) Pump (4x) ntrol Rod Drives Vessel Liner Used Fuel Storage Reactor Vessel Lead-Cooled Fast Reactors Gas-Cooled Fast Reactors Molten Salt Reactors Reprocessing Gas extraction Gas injection

Advanced Reactors (Generation-IV)



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Once Through Fuel Cycle



Depleted Uranium Undefined Future

Mine Tailings ←Two Major Wastes→ In Terms of Radioactivity Spent Nuclear Fuel



Micro-reactors and Small Modular Reactors

- Faster more predictable construction
- Factory fabrication
- Strong safety case (completely passive DHR)
- Lower financial risk with staged deployment
- Siting flexibility
- Almost all advanced reactor concepts are micro- or small.
- There are 52 active development companies pursuing an advanced reactor design.

- Micro—1-25 Mwe
- Small—300 MWe



Idaho National Laboratory

Micro-Reactors



- 2-20 MW, transportable, inherently safe
- LANL/Oklo heat pipe reactor among others that look interesting
- Working through a successful demonstration at INL can resolve a number uncertainties in the AR deployment process at a reduced cost
- Successful deployment in niche markets (space, defense, remote off-grid) can open up broader commercial markets



Gen4Energy, 25MWe 'battery'





Exceptional Safety Case

- TRISO fueled reactors concepts generally require no off-site AC, no on-site AC, or on-site DC for DHR.
- Most aim to meet ASME safety case (no social disruption)

- Micro—1-25 Mwe
- Small—300 MWe



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Fuel Qualification (5 < TRL < 6)

Once a candidate fuel system is identified, a qualification program can be executed

- Lab, pilot, and production scale fabrication
- Testing at prototypical service conditions (irradiation, temperature, chemistry)
- Source term characterization
- Fuel performance modeling (MOOSE-BISON-MARMOT)
- HTR (TRISO) and SFR (U-Zr) fuel
- The INL has led a high temperature reactor (TRISO) fuel qualification effort that will be completed ~2024
 - Highest priority task in the gas-cooled reactor campaign, supported by all members of the HTR Technical Working Group





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Hybrid Energy

- Most high temperature reactors can load-follow well, allowing a meshing with intermittent renewables
- HTRs can satisfy multiple markets—electricity to the grid, and process heat to industry.

- Micro—1-25 Mwe
- Small—300 MWe



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HTGRs Can Serve Wide Variety of Applications





Cost and Economics

- One-time costs include R&D, design, and initial licensing. At best, about \$1 B. Can be much more if significant R&D needed
- Site specific design and construction about \$5,000/kwe or \$2,000/kwth overnight cost.
- Owners costs may add significantly more
- Delays in schedule linearly drive up cost (ten years instead of five years to build will be \$10,000/Kwe).



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Construction cost





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Financing Risk





What you should take away from this lecture

- There are many advanced reactor concepts being examined and receiving investment today
- Meeting multiple markets is a significant driver
- Load following flexibility
- Economics is a driver but as yet unproven.
- Advanced reactors may be a solution to climate change



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Backup



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Core Meltdowns/Safety Fundamentals





Fast Reactors

Charm of Fast Reactors

- Breeding
- New Waste Management

- Coolants
 - Sodium
 - Sodium-Potassium
 - Lead
 - Gas (Helium, Steam)
 - Salt
 - Lithium



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Location: Lynchburg, VA Founded: 1989 Principal/CEO: Gary Mignogna Major Investors: N/A Technology Class: High temperature gas cooled Reactor Type: Steam cycle high temperature gas cooled reactor Power Output (MWe/MWT): 22-272 MWe / 50-625 MWt Federal Engagement: DOE, GAIN, ARPA-E, NRC Preferred Point of Contact: Darryl Gordon / Darryl.gordon@framatome.com / 434-832-5199



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Location: San Francisco, CA www.kairospower.com Founded: 2016 Principal/CEO: Michael Laufer Major Investors: N/A Technology Class: Solid-fueled/Molten salt cooled Reactor Type: Graphite-moderated, fluoride salt-cooled, high temperature reactor Power Output (MWe/MWT): N/A Federal Engagement: GAIN Preferred Point of Contact: Jaclyn Rodriguez / rodriguez@kairospower.com

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NuScale is developing SMR that integrate the reactor, steam generator, pressurizer, and containment into a single module. Nuclear power plants using NuScale technology can be designed to accommodate growing electrical demand by simply adding additional modules as the need arises.



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Founded: 2007 Principal/CEO: John Hopkins Major Investors: Fluor Corporation Technology Class: Water cooled Reactor Type: Integral pressurized water reactor Power Output (MWe/MWT): 50 MWe Federal Engagement: DOE, NRC Preferred Point of Contact: Lenka Kollar / Ikollar@nuscalepower.com

Location: Tigard, OR

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Terrestrial Energy USA (TEUSA) is developing an advanced Small Modular Reactor (aSMR) using Integral Molten Salt Reactor (IMSR®) technology, for first commercial deployment in the 2020's, and to provide cost-competitive electricity and process heat to industry. The IMSR® design is a graphite moderated, LEU once-through fueled, fluoride molten salt reactor (MSR) that uses a replaceable reactor core architecture.



Location: New York, NY www.terrestrialusa.com Founded: 2014 Principal/CEO: Simon Irish Major Investors: Private investors Technology Class: Advanced small modular reactor Reactor Type: Molten salt reactor Power Output (MWe/MWT): 192 MWe / 400 MWt Federal Engagement: DOE, GAIN, ARPA-E, NRC Preferred Point of Contact: Robin Rickman / rrickman@terrestrialusa.com / 724-421-6434



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limit global warming to only a few degrees, we need to reduce emissions as fast as possible and reach near-zero human-made by 2050.



Emissions pathways to limiting global warming to just 2º Celsius (3.6º Fahrenheit) above the temperatures of the 1800s.

The situation is urgent. In order to limit global warming to only a few degrees, we need to reduce human emissions as fast as possible and reach near-zero by 2050. But the longer we wait to begin decreasing, the faster we have to decrease every year. RICHARD SOMERVILLE



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What Can Turn This Situation Around?



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Nuclear the 'ideal way' for dealing with climate change, says Bill Gates

02 January 2019



Bill Gates has written in his year-end blog that nuclear power is "ideal for dealing with climate change". The technologist, business leader, and philanthropist wrote about nuclear power in a section about energy in his 29 December article *What I learned at work this year*.



Bill Gates (Image: GatesNotes)

The Microsoft Corp co-founder chairs TerraPower LLC, a nuclear energy venture, which *Reuters* reported yesterday is seeking a new partner for early-stage trials of its technology after new US rules forced it to abandon an agreement with China. *Reuters* cited comments made by company officials to the *Wall Street Journal*. TerraPower reached an agreement

NEI Nuclear Energy Institute's post

Most read

Nuclear vital to decarbonisation, finds MIT study

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Nuclear important to sustainable energy mix, says UNECE report

Nuclear the 'ideal way' for dealing with climate change, says Bill Gates

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Recent Articles

Forbes Magazine: Had They Bet On Nuclear, Not Renewables, Germany & California Would Already Have 100% Clean Power

I write about energy and the environment: **Michael Shellenberger** Contributor

Had California and Germany invested \$680 billion into new nuclear power plants instead of renewables like solar and wind farms, the two would already be generating 100% or more of their electricity from clean (low-emissions) energy sources, according to a new analysis by Environmental Progress.

Schellenberger (cont'd.)

- Had Germany spent \$580 billion on nuclear instead of renewables, it would have had enough energy to both replace all fossil fuels and biomass in its electricity sector and replace all of the petroleum it uses for cars and light trucks.
- Had California spent an estimated \$100 billion on nuclear instead of on wind and solar, it would have had enough energy to replace *all* fossil fuels in its in-state electricity mix.

GHG Intensity of French and German Power

Carbon intensity in the last 24 hours

🛨 Get historical data, marginal and forecast API 🔒 pro

Origin of electricity in the last 24 hours

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Carbon intensity (gCO2eq/kWh)

400

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Tomorrow

800

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California Nuclear Abandonments

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Installed Capacity

(MW)

Annual Generation

(TWh)

0

What are we doing in the US?

- 20 % Electricity is from Nuclear
- We have the most operating nuclear plants with 99 (France has 55)
- We shut down five plants in the past five years
- We have been building many windmills, especially out West, Texas, and selectively in New England

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What will reduce GHGs....

- Nuclear plus renewables
- Nuclear
 - Make these options cost-effective by putting a price on GHGs
 - Make this fee acceptable by returning it to the public
- Use electricity and hydrogen as energy 'carriers'
 - Electrify or use hydrogen for light duty vehicles, heavy duty vehicles, and rail transport
 - Electrify mass transit
 - New steel making technology, new cement processes
 - Better refrigerant fluids
- Hydro and geothermal will work on their own if your nation is geologically lucky (Iceland, Scandinavia)

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The Four PRIME Parties

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U.S. Industry group created to move forward HTGRs and nuclear process heat Considerable HTGR experience Japan Atomic Energy Agency Substantial historic and current HTGR and H2 experience including the HTTR Test Reactor. Strong emphasis on nuclear H2

Korean Atomic Energy Research Institute

Substantial historic and current HTGR and H2 experience. Strong emphasis on nuclear H2 Poland and EU's Nuclear Cogeneration Industrial Initiative Strong interest in nuclear industrial process heat. Considerable HTGR historic experience

As an Advanced Gen IV Reactor the HTGR Is:

- Robust tolerates loss of pressure, flow, coolant & backup cooling without significant release from fuel
- Real 6 reactors have been licensed and operated, two in ~800 MWt class & three on the grid, two new PBs under construction
- Ready- technology development largely complete; proven fuel; designs are largely complete; US NRC has been engaged thru White Papers
- **Revolutionary** Applications addresses high temperature process heat applications which currently require fossil fuel & produce 20% of world CO2 emissions; uniquely offers potential for clean, high efficiency hydrogen production