



# ARDP AWARDS

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## Advancing Nuclear Solutions with Integrated Energy Systems

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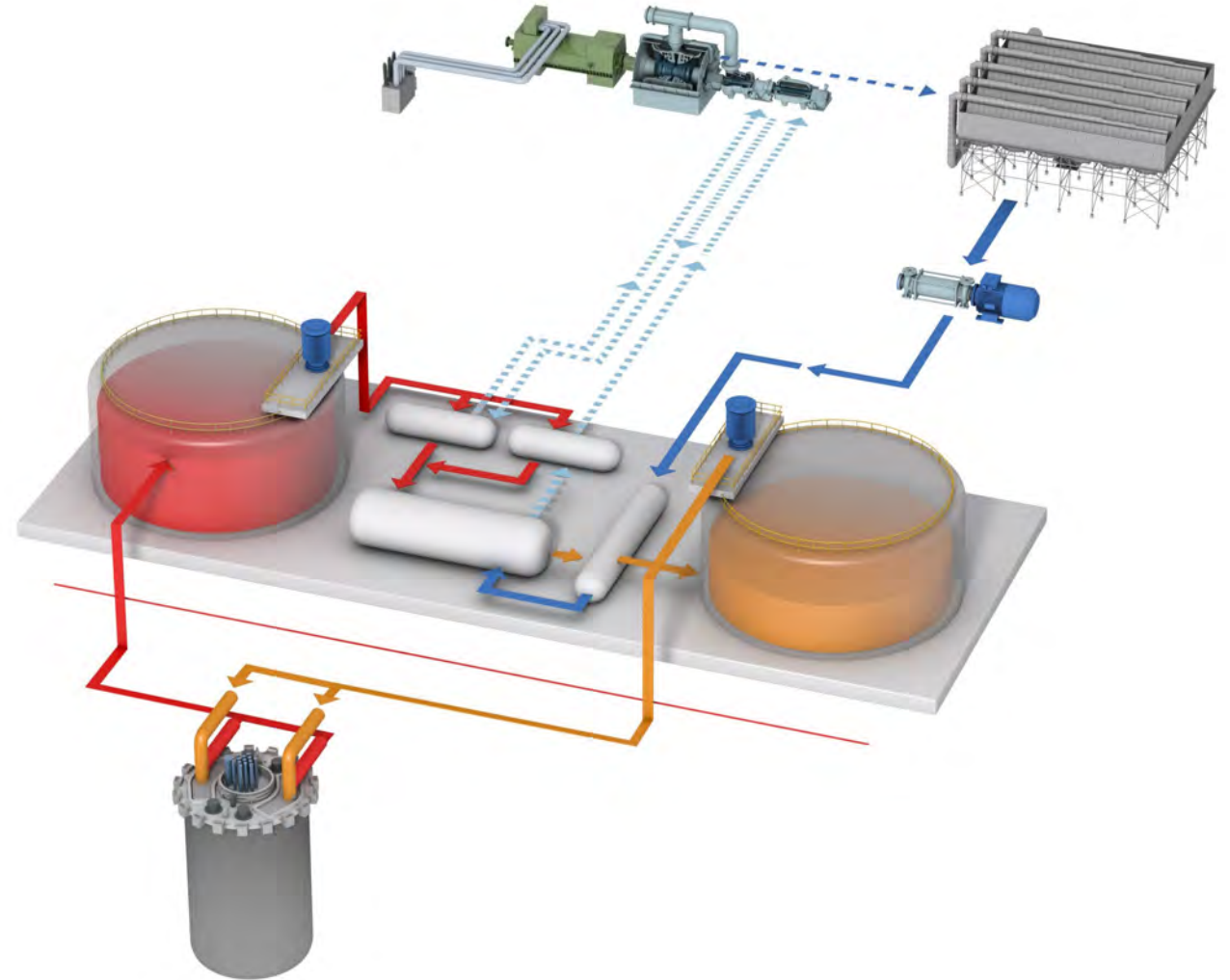


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# Introducing the Natrium™ Technology

- Developed through close collaboration between TerraPower and GE Hitachi
- Builds on PRISM, TWR and concentrated solar-power technologies with a focus on cost competitiveness
- Integrates on and fortifies grids with high-renewables penetrations
- 345MWe reactor that can flex to 500MWe for 5.5 hours when needed



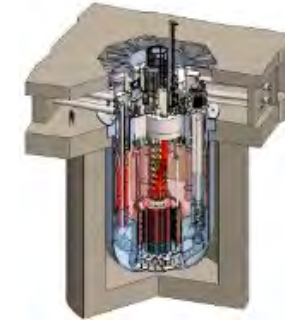
# Strong Team with Complementary Expertise



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- Nuclear design experience
- Involved in delivering more than 80 nuclear power plants globally
- Fuel fabricator and nuclear services provider for those plants
- Original equipment manufacturer supplier and supply chain
- Established presence in international markets
- GE corporate experience



- Nuclear design experience
- Technology development, component and system testing
- SFR fuel development and qualification
- Advanced computational tools for integrated design of nuclear reactors
- Strong mission-driven and innovation culture
- Access to partners and private capital



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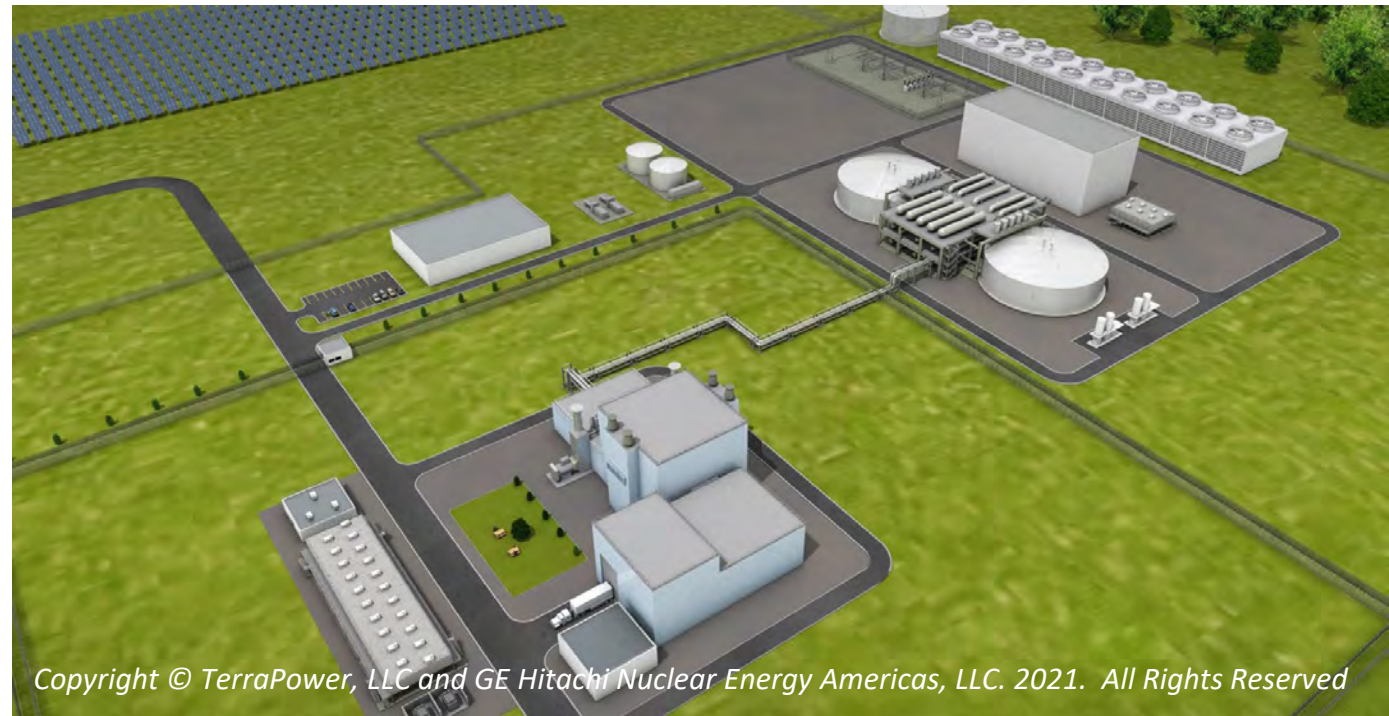
# Rethinking What Nuclear Can Be

## Nuclear redefined

- Eliminates nuclear “sprawl”
  - Design to cost
  - Simplicity
  - Rapid construction
  - Design-specific staffing
- ~41% net thermal efficiency

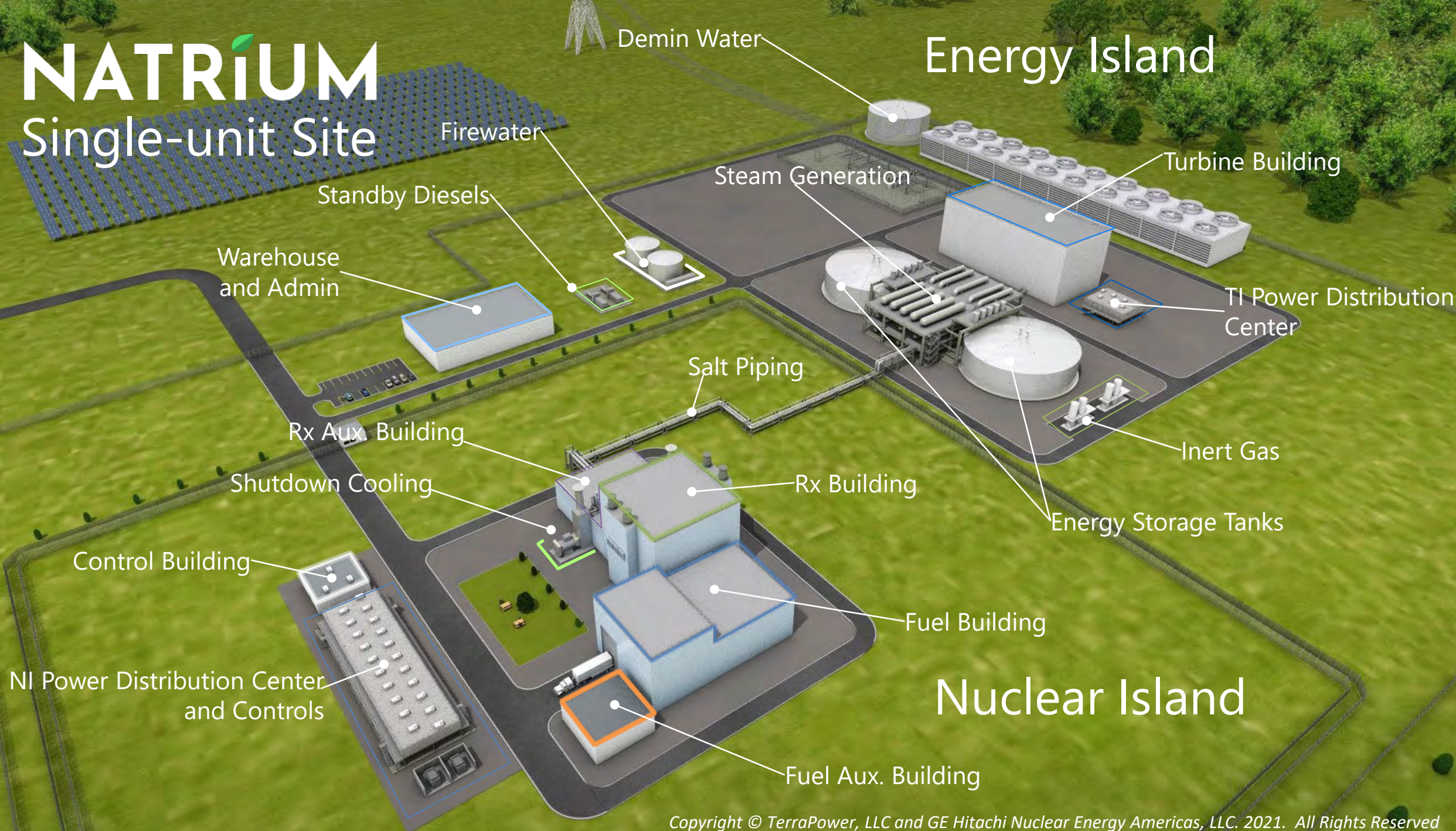
## Integrating with renewables

- Zero-emission, dispatchable resource
- Price follower with reactor at 100% power 24/7
- 345 MWe nominal
- Flex to 500 MWe for 5.5 hours with energy storage

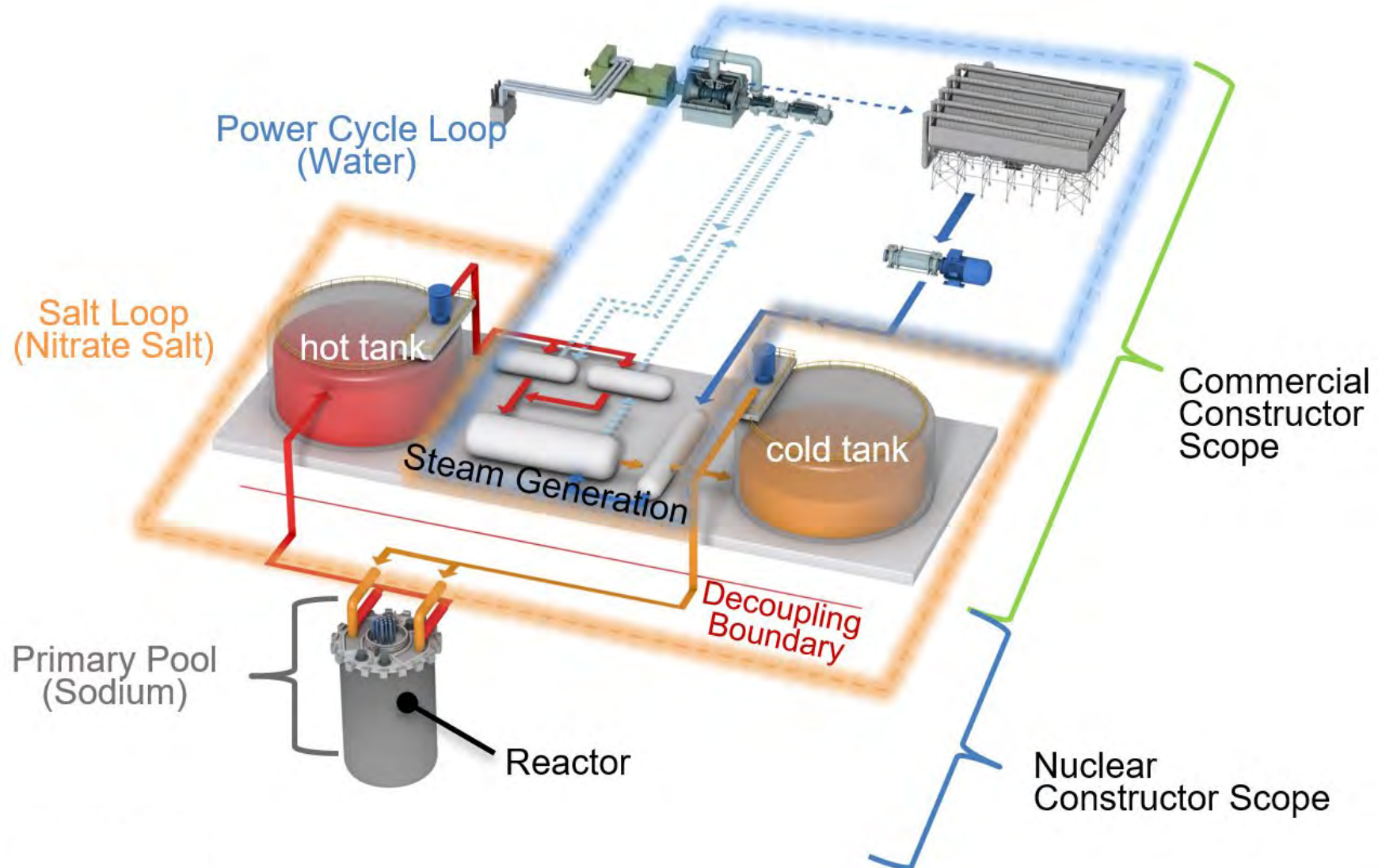


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## Single-unit Site

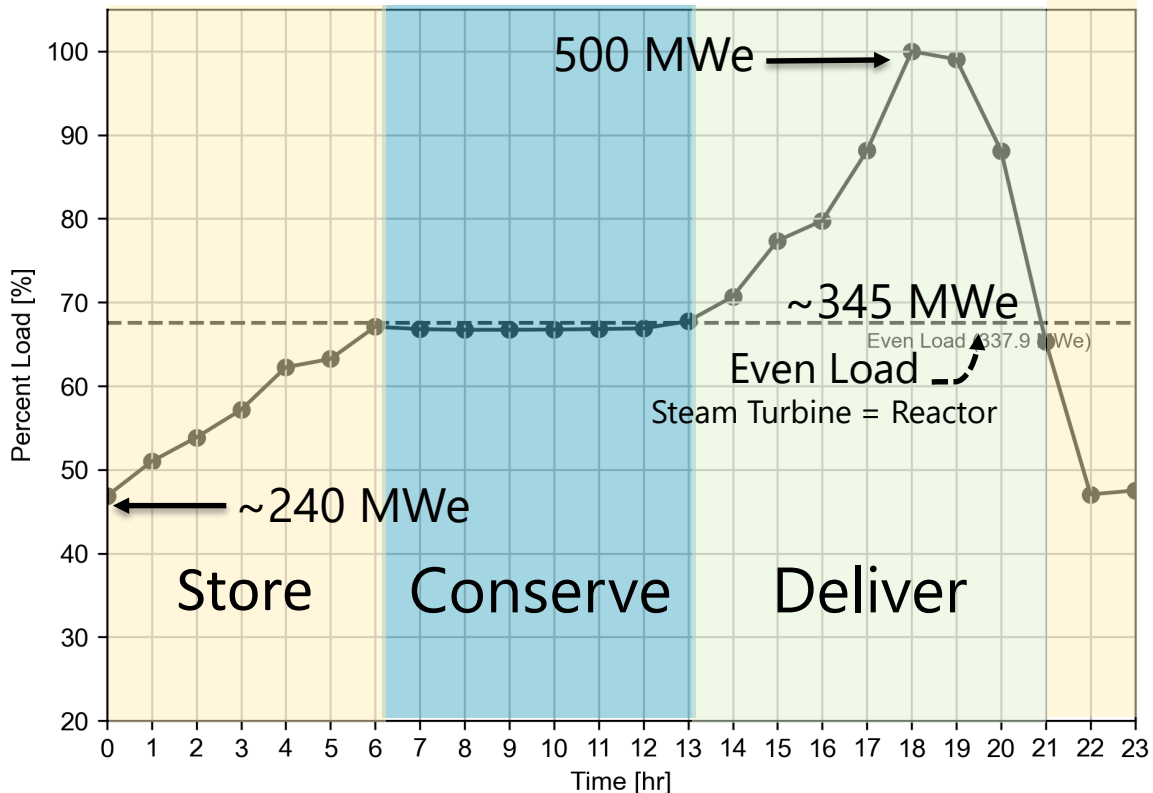


# Integrated Energy System (IES)



# California Rolling Blackouts: Aug. 12-25, 2020

Average Daily Turbine Load Profile



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**Midnight – 6 a.m.**

Ramp in early morning. Charging tanks.

**6 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

Hold even load.

**1 p.m. – 6 p.m.**

Ramp to peak load. Discharging tanks.

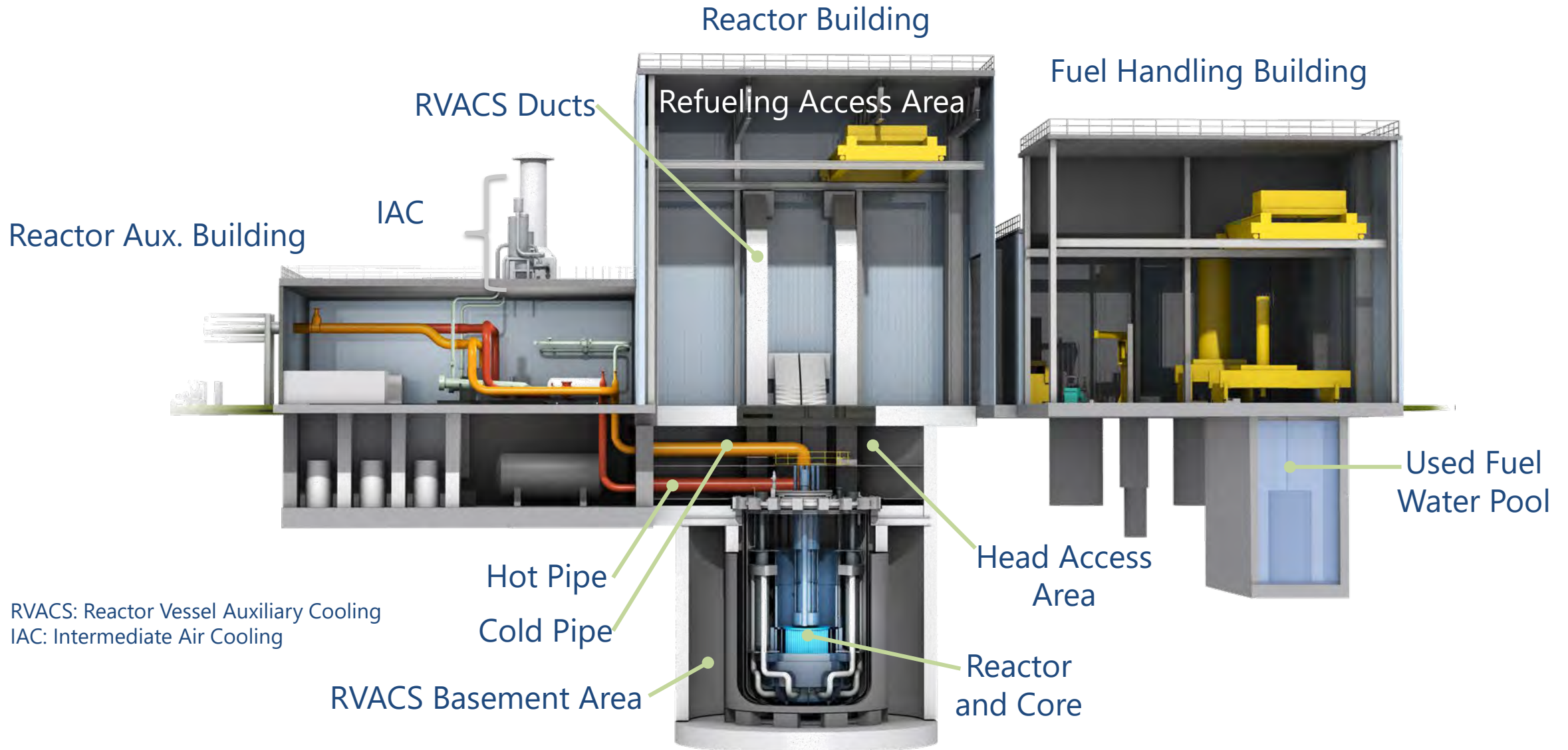
**7 p.m. – 9 p.m.**

Ramp down. Discharging tanks.

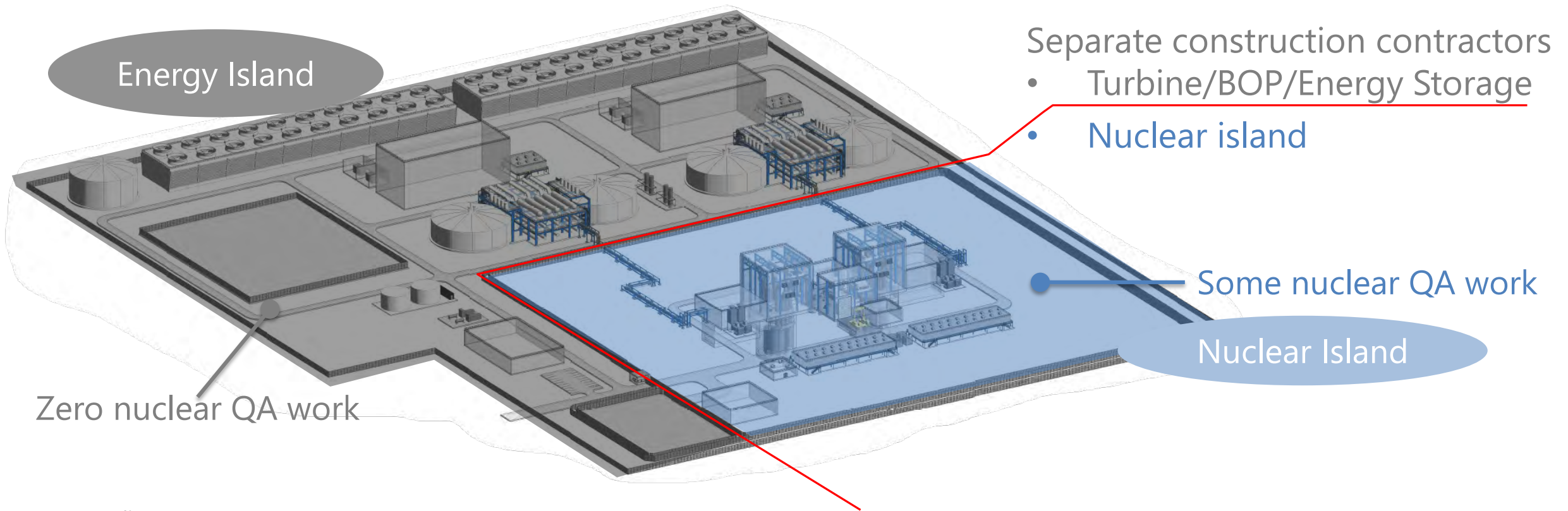
**9 p.m. – Midnight**

Ramp down. Charging tanks.

# Reactor Building



# A Decoupled Approach



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## Competitive Clean Energy

### Simple Nuclear System

- Exceptional heat transfer
- Passive air cooling
- Low pressure
- Optimized layout

### Flexible Power Generation

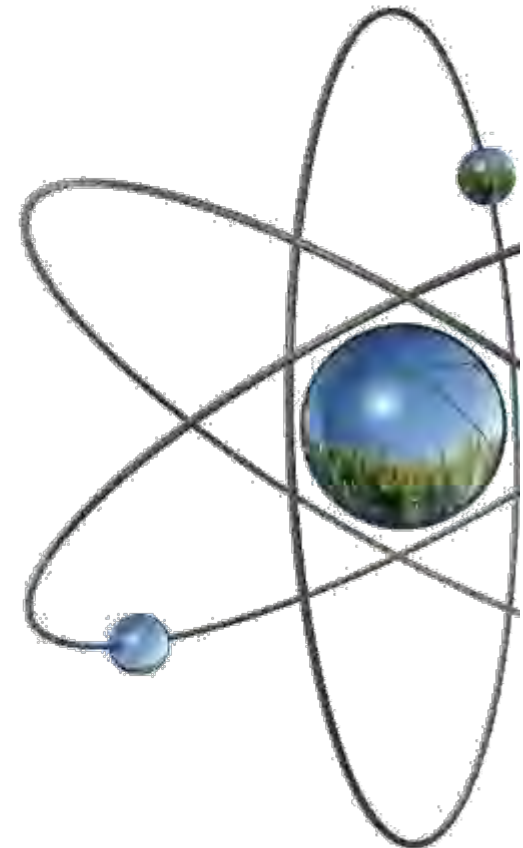
- Dispatchable power
- Energy storage and price following
- Integrate with renewables
- Process heat

### Adjacent Innovations

- Concentrated solar power industry
- Tunneling industry (vertical cut)
- Combined cycle gas turbine industry



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# X-energy's timing is meeting the larger moment

Never before has there been such a crossroads of need, opportunity & ability.



# The X-energy value proposition

Zero carbon emissions

Clean

Unlike coal and natural gas plants

Always on

24/7

Unlike intermittent renewables

Cost down to ~\$50.00 per MWh

Affordable

At or below natural gas

Low project risk

Simple

Simplified permitting & licensing

Power plants that can't melt down

Safe

Never a danger to the public

3-4 years to deploy vs. 10 years

Efficient

'Plug-and-play' scalable growth into new markets

Greatest geographic flexibility

Anywhere

No need to be by water, 400m vs 10mile safety zone

Modernized licensing case

Global

Easier new market entry

Proliferation resistance

Secure

Ideal for foreign markets



# Our traction, accomplishments & risk reduction to date



Founded by Kam Ghaffarian

2009



2010



Reactor science team in place, led by Dr. Eben Mulder & Dr. Martin Van Staden

Completes market study, design choices, and finalizes design parameters for Xe-100

2014



Xe gets into the fuel business. Hires Dr. Pete Pappano, builds fuel team.

2015



2016



Forms Customer Advisory Council

Achieves 50% conceptual design on Xe-100

Established pebble fuel manufacturing capability

Begins regulatory engagement with NRC. Produces first pebble in pilot fuel facility

Canada passes a carbon tax

2018



2019



Formally initiates commercialization track in Canada

Executed LOI with Jordan to deploy SMR

EIA reports 95 Gigawatts of coal capacity closed or switched to another fuel over the previous decade, with another 25 GW slated to shut down by 2025

Selected by U.S. DOE for Advanced Reactor Demonstration Program

Selected by U.S. DOD for preliminary design of a mobile nuclear power plant

OPG advances engineering and design work with X-energy

Completes conceptual design; 50% of basic design complete

# We've pinpointed the technology & revolutionized its approach

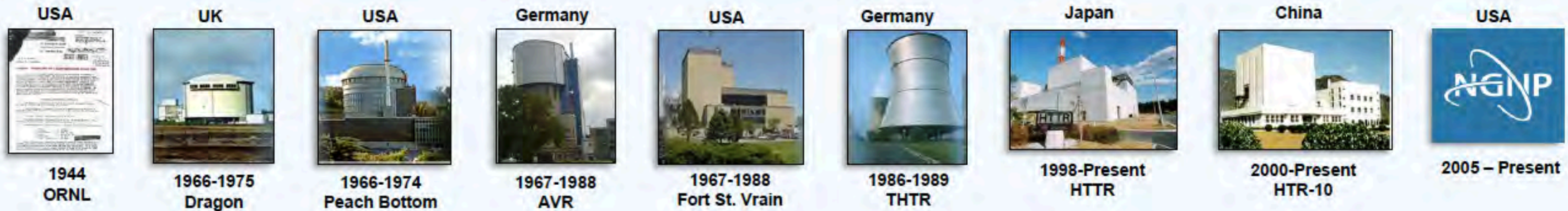
**We are capitalizing on decades of learning & best practices in High Temperature Gas-cooled Reactor design.**

>\$700 million U.S. DOE investment, including development and testing of the safest fuel – UCO TRISO coated particles

Our optimized, meltdown-proof Xe-100 is the only Gen IV reactor deployable within 5 years.

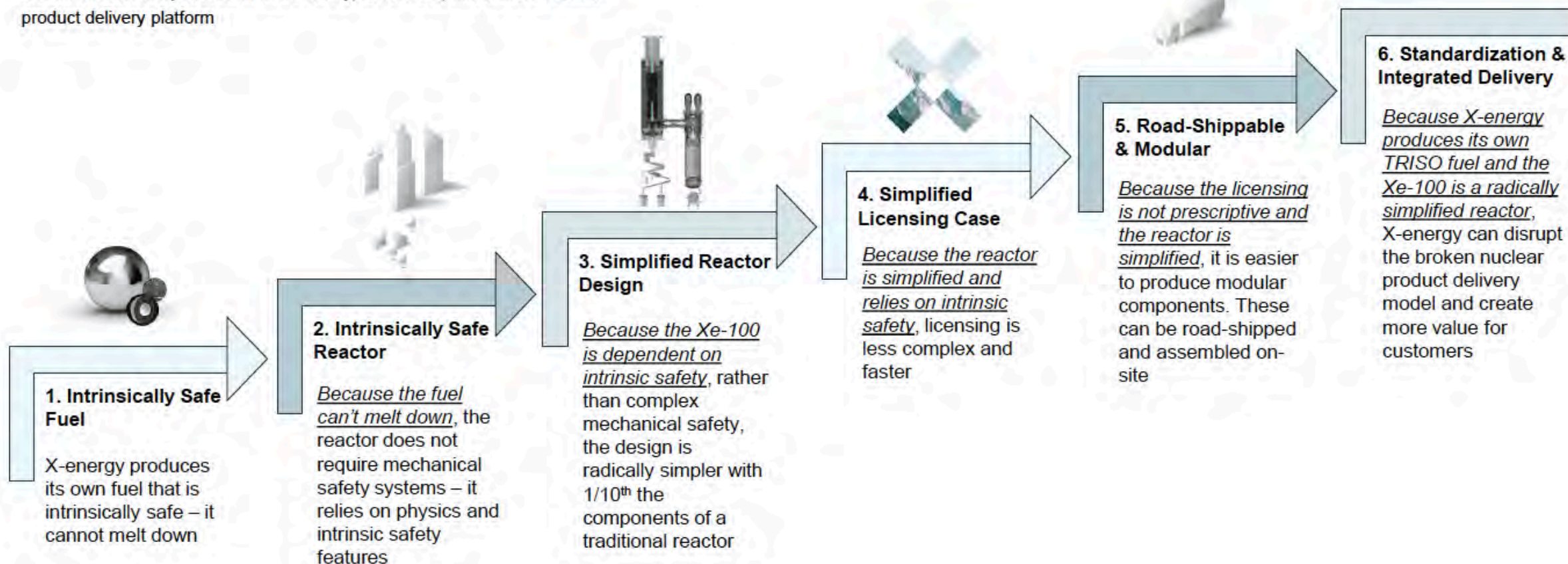


**We are leveraging proven technology & billions of dollars of prior investment**



X-energy's innovations compound, with the benefits accruing to our customers

Our innovation story results in more safety, lower cost, and a more reliable product delivery platform



## ARDP Details

- In May 2020, the Department of Energy announced the Advanced Reactor Demonstration Program (ARDP)
- X-energy and TerraPower were selected as program winners in October 2020
- Program designed as a public-private partnership:
  - Government provides winning bids with 50% cost share for first-of-a-kind advanced nuclear plant
  - Plant must be commercial (not demonstration)
  - Plant must be ready for deployment by 2027
  - Private sector partner applies with 1) utility customer and 2) qualified site
  - ✓ Government motive? Kick-start advanced nuclear industry
- X-energy partnered with Energy Northwest, a top-tier customer

## Energy Northwest



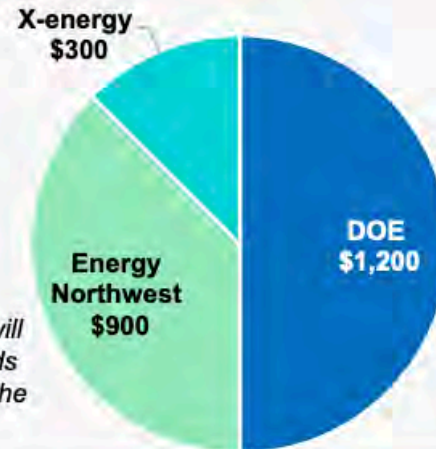
- Membership includes 27 public power utilities, including 23 of Washington state's 29 public utility districts
- Challenged by state law that mandates zero carbon grid by 2045, with limited additional upside in Washington state for wind, solar, or hydro
- Public agency with tax-advantaged capital access



○ Member utility  
■ X-energy site

## Cost Share (\$mm)

*X-energy capital raise covers non-recurring engineering/regulatory costs*



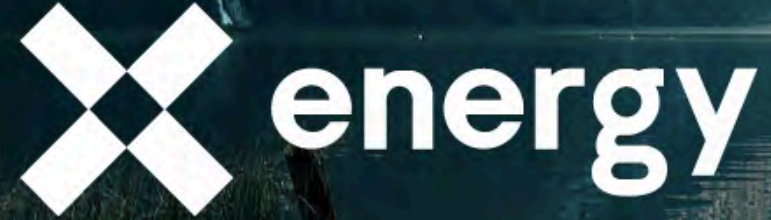
*Department of Energy cost share does not include equity, royalties, or any intellectual property rights*

*Energy Northwest will issue municipal bonds and pass the cost to the rate-payer*

## What ARDP Means to X-energy...

- 1 **Final design, engineering, and licensing**
- 2 **Commercial fuel facility**
- 3 **First advanced nuclear plant in the market**





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