

Ultra Safe Nuclear and Space Nuclear Power STIGUR Meeting



RELIABLE ZERO-CARBON ENERGY ANYWHERE



The Questions Asked

- What is your technology approach, benefits and challenges, including scalability to other power levels from baseline?
- What is your overall programmatic approach? How would you organize the development of the FSP system and the schedule (funding permitting)
- What are your ground testing requirements and potential facilities?



Who We Are



Intrinsically safe nuclear power for reliable zero-carbon energy anywhere

Multiple Use Cases Intrinsically Safe Micro Modular **Nuclear Batteries High Temperature Heat Reactor and Fuel Factories** Vertical Integration + with Rapid Deployment High Volumes = **Accelerated Learning Rate** Manufacture / Delivery **Supportive Regulatory Pathway Active Development Pipeline with Projects** in Advanced Stages First to Market with Full-size Demos in **Development / Execution / Operation / Service** Canada and US



Full-Stack Nuclear

Nuclear hardware and services to provide reliable energy anywhere.

CORE GROUP Nuclear Fuels + Materials

NUCLEAR GROUP Manufacture + Deploy

ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES GROUP Future Looking Product Development

INNOVATION GROUP MMR Technology Development

<u>2011</u> Founded

240+ Employees

2028 First MMR Demo



Advanced Ceramics Manufacturing Facility



USNC Core Technology: Fully Ceramic Micro-encapsulated (FCM®) Fuel

USNC's technology leverages our unique ceramics capabilities and expertise

FCM[®] Fuel – TRISO particles in a Silicon carbide matrix additively manufactured

Incredible fission product retention and high temperature operation



FCM fuel used in the MMR and Pylon Reactor



ZrC coated particle produced for NASA NTP



One Stop Shop for Additive & Advanced Ceramics

We offer additive and advanced manufactured components for specialized applications on demand. Choose from 6 different ceramics.

SiC • $ZrC • ZrO_2 • B_4C$ -SiC • $ZrH_x • YH_x$

Submit Your Part





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Use Technology that Scales from kW to MW







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USNC is Deploying the Infrastructure Needed to Factory-Produce Nuclear Reactors by 2028

This is the same infrastructure we will/are using for our space nuclear systems. It is **NOT** funded by USG.

Pilot Fuel Manufacturing Facility (FCM and TRISO)



Advanced Ceramics Manufacturing Facility



We Make TRISO Today



Reactor Assembly Factory

Governor Ivey Announces Ultra Safe Nuclear Corp. Plans \$232 Million Micro-Reactor Assembly Plant in Gadsden, Creating 250 Jobs



MONTGOMERY – Governor Kay Ivey announced today that Ultra Safe Nuclear Corporation, (USNC) a Seattlebased company that's expanding micro-reactor technologies, plans to invest \$232 million to locate a facility in Gadsden to produce its industry-leading Micro-Modular Reactor.

USNC-Framatome JV for Fuel Manufacturing



Framatome-USNC JV set to produce TRISO particles and FCM fuel

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France's Framatome and US-based Ultra Safe Nuclear Corporation (USNC) are forming a joint venture to manufacture Tri-structural Isotropic (TRISO) particles and USNC's Fully Carence Microencapsulated (FCM) full, Framatome and USNC have signed a non-binding Hadad of Terms Agreement to integrate their complementary resources to bring commercially viable fuel to market for advanced reactor designs. USNC, headquartered in Seattle, is developing a Micro-Modular Reactor (MMR) and produces FMC

nuclear fuel based on TRISO fuel particles. FCM fuel

enhances safety through proprietary technology to embed TRISO particles in a saliton carbide matrix. In August 2022, USNC announced the opening of its Pilot Fuel Manufacturing (PFM) facility in Oak Ridge at the East Tennessee Technology Park (ETTP), to produce the first fuel for testing and qualification for use in its

Commercial Enriched Uranium Supply



UUSA will Supply Ultra Safe Nuclear Corporation with Enriched Uranium Product for Advanced Reactor Deployment

UUSA 01 March 2023

UUSA is excited to announce that we've entered into an enrichment services supply agreement with Ultra Safe Nuclear Corporation (USNC).



Pylon is an architecture applicable to multiple markets, maximizing synergy.

Overarching Characteristics

- FCM Fuel in geometry only possible with additive manufacturing
- Hydride moderator with regenerative cooling
- Gas coolant
- 9.9% U²³⁵ "LEU+" or 19.75% U²³⁵ HALEU
- Control drums and control rod for reactivity control



Development Philosophy

- Pylon D1 leverages extensive DOE investment and facilitations for a rapid and cost-effective technology demonstration.
- Use of MMR Fuel and systems enables leveraging of fuel irradiation and qualification and synergy with MMR design and licensing experience
- Start with low-hanging markets with straight-forward and achievable performance requirements and grow into larger and more aggressive applications



Pylon Reactor Architecture





Pylon D1 – Technology Demonstration

Program Overview

- A derivative reactor is being developed to be tested at the NRIC DOME facility at Idaho National Laboratory as early as possible (alternative sites are being considered):
 - Verify licensability and key performance, operations, safety and cost aspects.
- Reactor-focused: increase TRL of key nuclear technologies, minimize cost and schedule

Technical Performance Requirements

- Demonstration Requirements: 1 MWth @ 1000 K reactor outlet, 2.5MW-yr core energy
- Use of 9.9% Enriched U (LEU+) allows demo with <u>currently</u> <u>available fuel</u>
- Metal Hydride moderator

Pylon D1	Pylon T1
1 MWth	5-10MWth (1-3 MWe)
Graphite Reflector	Beryllium Reflector
Lower-Cost	Lower-Mass
9.9% Enriched (LEU+)	19.75% Enriched (HALEU)
Available Now	Available Soon
Helium based Heat Removal	He-Xe Brayton Power Cycle
Focus on Nuclear Demo	Focus on Strong Partnership







Some Programmatic Comments