# The Radix Mini-Modular Reactors for Energy Supply

& an Overview of SMR Technology Offerings and Deployment Plans

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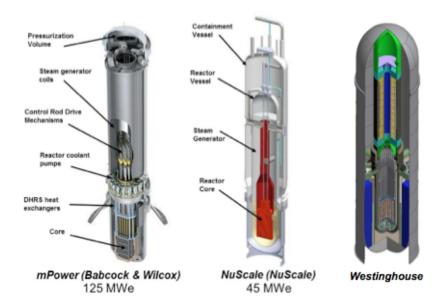
#### Small Modular Reactors

#### **Near-Term LWR Designs**



#### Well Understood Technology

- LWR based designs
- Standard <5% UO2 fuel</li>
- Regulatory & operating experience
- Deployment in10 years (2020)





#### "Complexity" Versus "Simplicity"

#### **Nuclear Energy**



#### **U.S. SMR Status**

- DOE Funding Opportunity Announcement (\$452 million)
  - mPower (B&W), NuScale (Fluor), Westinghouse
- Savannah River Site
  - SMR-160 (Holtec) and Gen4 Module (Gen4 Energy), NuScale
- TRIDEC (Tri City Development Corporation) will present a proposal to the Department of Energy on June 20 at a forum organized by the Energy Communities Alliance. Proposals or comments also are expected from communities in Tennessee, South Carolina, Virginia, New Mexico, Idaho and possibly Kentucky.
- Necessary Components are:
  - Reactor design, location, utility, financing, license....

### **Non-Traditional Markets**

Off-Grid Electric Power

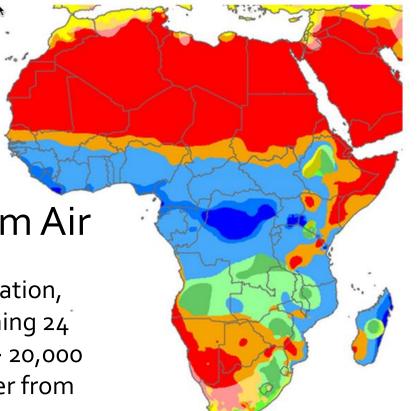
- Remote locations
- Mining Operations
- Emergent Economies
- Potable Water
  - Desalination
  - Extraction of Water from Air
- (Non-Naval) Military Power
  - Forward and Contingency Operating Bases
  - Vehicle (liquid) Fuel Production
  - Domestic Bases
- Among the Hurdles to Overcome
  - Other choices in developed areas
  - Nuclear Regulatory Infrastructure for new nuclear entrants
  - Nuclear Proliferation concerns



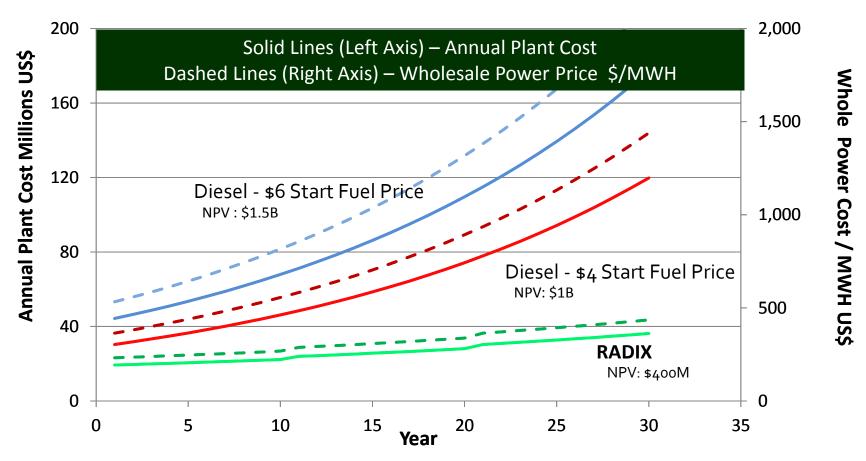
## **Potable Water**

- Desalination
  - Coastal Regions
  - Drought stricken areas
- Extraction of Water from Air

Using air refrigeration-condensation, 500 kW of electrical power running 24 hours per day would generate > 20,000 gallons per day of drinking water from air initially at 40 C and 23% RH.



## Cost of 10 MWe Nuclear Power vs Diesel



Diesel costs based on 2011 market values of \$4/gal and > \$6/gal in remote areas. Assumes diesel price increases 5% per year equivalent to a real year 30 price of \$134 a barrel of oil. Based on 800 GPH for 10 MW Diesel-Electric

## **National Security**

#### Domestic Bases

- US Defense Department is concerned about its use of energy and the security of domestic bases against grid failure natural events or terrorist attack by cyber or physical means.
- SMRs located on or near the base can mitigate that risk.

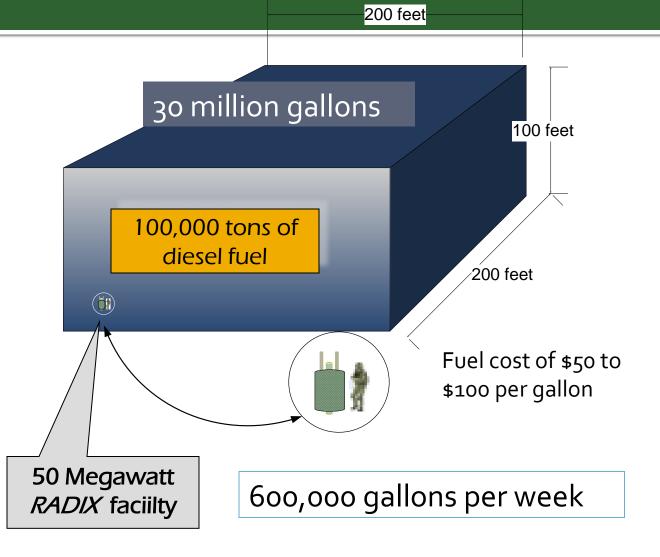
#### FOBs

- Forward operating bases depend on transport of fossil fuel and potable water over long distances to support their operations.
- Deployable nuclear power can be used to produce potable water and liquid (vehicle) fuel to reduce the logistic burden.

## **Economics and Logistics**

Volume of diesel fuel needed to produce the same amount of power per year as a 50 Megawatt Reactor

16 MWe and can produce 5000 gallons of JP8 fuel per 24 hour day



## The RADIX Difference

#### The RADIX Market is Off-Grid Applications

 Mining operations, Remote locations, Government bases that demand secure, safe, 24/7 reliable power, and Emergent economies.

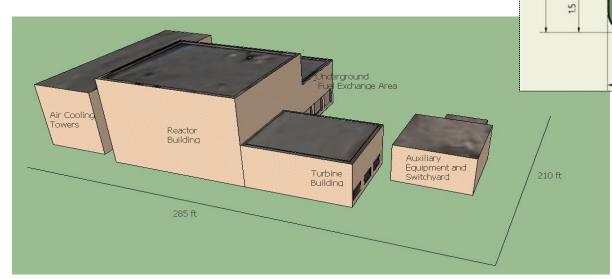
#### Design is Traditional ("licensable") LWR

- 10 MWe per module with 10 year fuel cycle
- 100 MWe module with 18 month fuel cycle\*
- Integral PWR (core, steam generator, pressurizer)
- ~ 20% enriched U235
- 150-200 GWd/tU

\* Scaled up version for oil extraction.

### The RADIX Mini Modular Reactor

- 10 MWe (40MW<sub>t</sub>) IPWR Scalable & Deployable
- Powers approx. 10,000 to 14,000 residences
- Gen III+ Passive Safety & Economics
- Triga<sup>®</sup> UZrH<sub>16</sub> enriched 19.75% U-235
- Fuel cycle 10 years
- Air or Water Cooled



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Control Rods

Vessel

Pressure Vessel

Generato

Reactor Core

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## **Hurdles to Overcome**

- Initial projects to demonstrate business case
- First of a Kind Regulatory approval!
  - International Market
  - Nuclear Infrastructure (IAEA guidelines)
- Fuel cycle
  - Mature Fuel bank structure
- Skilled construction craft

## Summary

- Markets exist now for MMR in traditional and non-traditional applications
- Economic case when completing with liquid fuel is very strong
- Hurdles can be overcome