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Among the items to be introduced early next year is an Inner and Outer Bellows Cleaning Crawler called the "Amphibian". This machine will be capable of remotely extracting sediment and sludge from the Reactor Cavity Inner and Outer Bellows areas, traveling between hatch covers. Once a hatch cover is encountered a docking station will lift the crawler over the hatch, propel the unit forward and lower it into position so it may proceed, The docking station is capable of carrying a 250lb load to any location within the vessel, spent fuel pool or dryer/separator pit. All operations, as usual, are performed from a remote, clean area location.

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Nuclear Projects

Bechtel is the industry leader for successful large-scale nuclear projects. Current projects include new generation assessment, plant restart support and replacement of steam generators, reactor pressure vessel heads, and pressurizers. Bechtel's capabilities in executing nuclear projects include:

- Project management
- Engineering and licensing
- Procurement
- Construction management

New Generation

Bechtel's new nuclear generation activities include:

- Support for the development of the Westinghouse AP600/1000 Advanced Light Water Reactor and the GE Advanced Boiling Water Reactor
- Consortium leader for balance of plant design for Qinshan Units 4&5, a twin CANDU-6 reactor facility now operating in China
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Bechtel established the benchmark for SGR, having successfully completed 24 projects, with 6 additional projects under way. Our success in SGR is founded on close association with our customers, a safety-first focus and detailed planning, innovation, preparation, and execution. In 2003 we again re-set our world record for breaker-to-breaker schedule—and accomplished this with no lost-time accidents.

We continue to demonstrate why we are the world leader in helping international and domestic customers extend the operation lives of their nuclear fleet. We have successfully completed 7 reactor head replacements including the first in the U.S.—beating schedules and enabling the plants to get back online quickly—saving millions of dollars for our customers. Our careful planning is enabling other customers to include RPVH replacement with steam generator replacement. We are scheduled to perform the first pressurizer replacement in the U.S. in the next several years.

Nuclear Operating Plant Services

Bechtel responds to tough challenges. As a change leader, we are committed to helping our customers improve their business and work processes, with an ultimate goal of optimizing operating and maintenance costs. Worldwide, we've supported power uprate on over 35 units. Our operating nuclear plant services include:

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Our Past:

Since 1946, Major Tool and Machine, inc. has been supplying engineering, fabrication, machining, assembly and testing services for critical application environments. Our customer-focused philosophy, coupled with continuous reinvestment in our capabilities, facilities and employees, has enabled us to evolve with and respond to the needs of our customers. Major Tool's best value approach provides our customers with the highest quality, competitively priced, build-to-print services available.

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For more detailed information or to schedule a visit to Major Tool and Machine, contact Joel Manship at (317) 917-2619 or by email at jmanship@majortool.com.



NFS is proving that downblending is the smart alternative.

Whether its converting nuclear weapons material for commercial power, medical research or final disposition, Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. (NFS) is proving the value of downblending as a smart alternative to storage or disposal.

"The price for feed material has strengthened in the last year and downblended material helps moderate supply and demand pressures," explained NFS Vice-President of Business Development Frank Hahne. "U.S. policy is to maintain a domestic supply of uranium materials and the downblending of existing stockpiles into marketable feed products is another reason why NFS is the smart alternative, especially when imported feed materials aren't meeting domestic needs."

"NFS is a pioneer in nuclear recycling. Through downblending, we are helping solve the Cold War dilemma of what to do with tons of surplus enriched uranium. The overall savings through downblending, when compared to storage or disposal, is significant."

> Dwight B. Ferguson NFS Chief Executive Officer

NFS is a pioneer in downblending technologies. Operating one of only two privately owned Category 1 NRC-licensed facilities in America, NFS began the practice of downblending enriched uranium for the commercial fuel cycle in the 1990s. Today, the scope and volume of downblending projects have grown significantly.

In 2004, NFS began downblending operations in a new facility to serve a major utility's downblended uranium project. NFS, and its partners in the project, will convert

metric ton quantities of surplus enriched uranium into low enriched uranium oxide powder. The oxide powder will be fabricated into pellets and fuel assemblies for use by the utility in its commercial power reactors. The utility estimates the project will provide 15 years worth of nuclear fuel for two of its reactors and will save U.S. taxpayers more than \$500 million dollars in storage and disposal costs.

At another site, NFS and several partners formed an independent company to manage the operations of another important downblending project. The project goal is to separate thorium-229 from a large quantity of uranium-233, then render the uranium as non-weapons usable through downblending. The thorium will be used to extract actinium-225 and supply its daughter product, bismuth-213 for ongoing cancer research.

The final product will be used in Phase II clinical trials for the treatment of acute myologenous leukemia. These isotopes are also being explored for treatment of other serious cancers of the lungs, pancreas and kidneys. For the government, the project represents a solution for disposition of the material, some of which has been stored since World War II's Manhattan Project. "NFS is a pioneer in nuclear recycling. Through downblending, we are helping solve the Cold War dilemma of what to do with tons of surplus enriched uranium. The overall savings through downblending, when compared to storage or disposal, is significant," said NFS Chief Executive Officer Dwight B. Ferguson.



NFS is a pioneer in developing downblending technologies for a variety of enriched uranium materials.

NFS is proving that downblending is also the smart alternative for a variety of other enriched orphan materials inside and outside the DOE Complex. Numerous beaker and bench-scale tests on a variety of dry and liquid uranium contaminated with organics have proven that NFS downblending can successfully convert the material into either usable fuel cycle materials or into materials which meet lower-cost disposal criteria.



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Pump and Motor Services

AREVA's New Service Center Helps Plants Get a Grip on Equipment Reliability and Performance

Like many other components in nuclear power plants, pumps and motors are beginning to show their age. As a result, the demand for pump and motor repairs, refurbishment and/or replacement has dramatically increased.

To meet this need, AREVA, working through its joint subsidiary with Siemens, Framatome ANP, has just completed a 70,000-square-foot pump and motor service center at its Lynchburg, Va., facility. Designed with the latest technology, including a 30,000square-foot hot machine shop with 12-ton and 25-ton cranes, and a 75-ton crane with a 40-foot hook height, the center's dedicated, experienced team, can now inspect, repair and refurbish primary and auxiliary pumps, motors, and seals either on or off a customer's site.

"The center's design is based on Framatome ANP's extensive experience in refurbishing and servicing pumps and motors," said Buddy Jolley, Manager of the Pump and Motor Service Center. "This world-class center offers Framatome ANP's customers greater reliability and increased performance for the long-term operation of their pumps, auxiliary pumps, motors and seals."

In addition to equipment service and repair, the company manufactures pumps and motors at its Jeumont, France facility. As a previous Westinghouse licensee for over 20 years, Jeumont is the OEM supplier of over 220 reactor coolant pumps and motors. To enhance its already extensive capabilities, the company recently signed teaming agreements with Sulzer (OEM for Sulzer & Bingham pumps and a leading provider of parts for most other brands of auxiliary pumps) and Siemens (OEM for Allis Chalmers and Siemens-Allis motors).

State-of-the-Art Facility Meets Customers' Needs

Framatome ANP reviewed all makes and models before ordering equipment to enable the center to handle a wide variety of motors and pumps. As a result, the center features a 50,000-pound balance machine and a drying oven for stripping, baking and drying motor components that is one of the largest in the industry. The 20-foot lathe with a 78-inch swing will handle the largest stators as well as smaller parts. A specially-designed contamination booth with both washing and drying capability and a full-scale motor test area are also included in the facility. In addition,



"The state-of-the-art facility will enable the company to change the performance and life expectancy of the installed pumps and motors."

assembled motors, and a special truck bay with negative pressure was constructed to reduce contamination. The facility also includes in its radiologically controlled area a full-scale, flooded reactor vessel mock-up to support RV non-destructive examination processes.

This new Pump and Motor Service Center has the most up-to-date equipment for performing complete motor refurbishments as well as detailed mechanical and electrical inspections, non-destructive examinations and balancing and vibration analyses. Combined with a dedicated team of service professionals, the Pump and Motor Service Center delivers the most cost-effective solutions for:

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Worldwide Experience with All Pump and Motor Models

Framatome ANP services pumps and motors for all makes of reactors: PWRs, BWRs, PHWRs, VVERs, FBRs and next-generation reactors. The company's experience includes Byron-Jackson reactor coolant pumps (RCP), Westinghouse RCPs and motors, Bingham RCPs and Allis-Chalmers and GE motors. To further round out its service capabilities, the company draws on its Nuclear Parts Center, also located in Lynchburg, Va., for new seals, remanufactured seals and seal parts to replace original parts. The company has serviced more than 50 pump and motor projects in the U.S. alone and performed over 40 primary pump replacements and inspections. This is in addition to the more than 200 pump and motor projects the company has performed worldwide, as well as hundreds of inspections on primary motors and hydraulic components and over 25 vibration analysis/ diagnostic/balance service contracts, in just the last six years.

Using the company's database of worldwide pump and motor performance data enables early diagnosis of problems – often before they *are* problems – and provides additional important information relevant to effective materials management.

The combination of Framatome ANP's engineering, product knowledge and resources, and a state-of-the-art facility will enable the company to change the performance and life expectancy of installed pumps and motors. This in turn, will increase customer's competitiveness and profitability. Refurbished pumps and motors are routinely returned to the customer with better performance and higher efficiency than the original, extending their functional life and reducing customers' capital requirements.

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"The 10CFR50 Appendix B, which is dictated by government regulations, provides specific quality assurance procedures, similar to an ISO9000 program," states Linda Desmarais, Director of Quality Assurance for Draka Comteq USA, Inc. "Through this program we are required to keep raw material traceability records as well as dual records in separate locations of all procedures," she explains. "In addition, all cable products produced for nuclear applications must be kept separated from the manufacturing of other cable products, including a dedicated quality control department," Desmarais adds.

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Over the past twenty years Divesco has evolved as one of the industry's largest stocking distributors of nuclear parts and components found worldwide. Owners Tom Westbrook and Kay Fisher have dedicated themselves to the safe keeping of nuclear grade parts and components, many of which are obsolete in today's market.

Utility Relationship

An unusual relationship has developed between Divesco and the industry that it serves. Nuclear plants trying to reduce inventories are Divesco's primary suppliers. Nuclear plants in need of a part or component are Divesco's primary customers. And nuclear plants selling to each other are Divesco's primary competitors.

Expediting

From nuts and bolts to main steam isolation valves Divesco will get the job done faster than anyone. "Priority One" expediting service is provided when time is a critical factor. When an item is located elsewhere Divesco will expedite the purchase for the utility in need.

One utility's day was saved when an emergency call was placed to Divesco at 2:00 am. The plant was shut down due to problems with the reactor water cleanup pump. The parts needed were available, a plane was chartered, and the plant had the parts hand delivered before sun-up!

Obsolescence Resolution

Can Divesco solve all of the industry problems related to obsolescence? Unfortunately, no. But when an urgent need arises for a part or component that is not available from the manufacturer within acceptable lead times, if the item is in Divesco's stock then it can be the miracle cure for today's ailment.

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Communications and Information Management

"Immediacy" is the magic word in crisis management technology. Every millisecond counts in protecting lives and property. Information has to be clear and concise. Personnel need to operate flawlessly.

For over a dozen years, Forum Communications International has provided the best value and unparalleled reliability in instant conferencing and audio conferencing hardware. Their recent release, the Confer A.L.E.R.T. (Advanced Localized Emergency Response Teleconferencing) System, is a formfit replacement for out-dated primary and secondary crash systems from the 1980's. The A.L.E.R.T. system provides immediate ring-down to multiple locations (up to 5 miles away) and connects all participants into an "instant" conference call for response management and command/control applications.

The Confer A.L.E.R.T. is designed to replace the old Tellabs 291/292 red phone systems utilized in many regional utilities, local 911 centers and federal agency locations. With the latest in DSP technology and superior sound quality, the A.L.E.R.T. provides touch screen initiation, connecting to multiple ring-down circuits for instant fail-safe communication. The control screen provides real-time line status from the remote locations. Forum's technology eliminates ring down noises that create problems in other crash systems.

Already in use for many critical applications, the A.L.E.R.T. system exceeds Air Force technical requirements AFI 12-203 and AFI 13-213. Expandable to 72 ports, the Confer A.L.E.R.T. provides three levels of redundancy:

Blast from back up phone - Upon realizing the main phone is not working properly, command personnel go to the backup phone, dial *67 *21 and initiate an emergency call.

Blast from GUI screen: Upon realizing the main (or back up) phone is not working properly, "call initiator" can touch the "Manual Blast" button on the GUI and initiate the call.

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The Confer ECS (Emergency Collaboration System) is also designed for immediate communications and can connect to analog ports from your PBX or PSTN. The ECS allows your dispatcher to initiate dial-out from a GUI screen or by going off hook with (or dialing into) a command phone. Unique to the industry, the ECS can be programmed for global crash blast, to immediately free up conference ports in an emergency. The crash blast mode can be set for multiple call groups and multiple response teams. Like all Forum systems, the ECS is durable and easy to manage. With flexibility of hosting both standard calls and emergency conferencing, the Confer ECS is easy to cost justify.

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In an industry not known for completing plants on time and on budget, AECL has been the exception. AECL has built their last six projects – in China, South Korea and Romania - on or ahead of schedule and on budget.

ACR-700[™] Setting the standard

AECL's latest project – two CANDU 6 units at Qinshan, China – astounded the industry by coming in four months ahead of schedule. "Project management is vital to our success and we have the best project management team in the industry," says Dr. Ken Petrunik, Vice President of Projects at AECL. The first Qinshan unit, built in 54 months from the first concrete to inservice was the fastest nuclear power plant ever built in China. "We've always had great working relations with our customers and business partners," says Petrunik. "It's all about teamwork."

A closer look at AECL's success reveals the importance of modular construction techniques. For Qinshan, modules fabricated off site were shipped to site when needed, lifted into position through the top of the reactor building with a heavy lift

crane and lowered into place. Together, the use of modularization and open top construction techniques significantly reduced the number of workers on site, allowed better parallel sequencing of activities, improved workflow,

reduced the project schedule and improved quality. The approach has worked so well that AECL has designed the ACR-700 to take full advantage of this technique – over 350 modules will be integrated into each ACR-700 unit. As a result, the first ACR-700 construction project is expected to take 48 months from first concrete to in-service – a six month improvement over the Qinshan project. The construction period for later units is expected to be only 36 months.

The lower costs and shorter construction period are only part of the ACR-700 story. Unlike other reactor designs that have to shut down every 18 months to refuel, the operating cycle for the ACR-700 will be three years with a 21 day maintenance outage. Maintenance work can also be performed while at power. The result is lower operating and maintenance costs. "We've been able to lower O&M costs by designing for reliability fully leveraging the benefits of on power fueling. With the ACR-700, the owner has full control over when they schedule and execute maintenance outages," says Dr. Torgerson. "And, should there be a fuel defect, the defective fuel bundle is simply shuffled out of the core and replaced with a fresh bundle."

From his Gaithersburg, Maryland office John Polcyn, President of AECL Technologies, says many U.S. customers have embraced the ACR-700. "They see the technical and economic advantages, but perhaps more importantly, our history of building nuclear power plants gives us the confidence to offer our customers

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and Alaron Corporation have expanded our capabilities for handling large motors. The expansion now allows us to offer complete refurbishment and rewind for PWR Reactor Coolant Pump Motors as well as BWR Main Recirculation Pump Motors. The equipment upgrades include: Large motor test stand and panel (15Kv), Burnout/Bakeout oven, 35,000 lb. capacity Balance machine. EMC has added an experienced full time staff at Alaron's facility to provide services on these large motors as well as other motors requiring "hot shop" services.

Along with the full scope of in-shop Reactor Coolant Pump Motor services, the Alaron/EMC team offers complete repair and rewind services for the balance of plant motors. This includes Safety Related, clean or contaminated, Motors. A harsh environment rewind program will soon be available on MOV's and form wound motors.



Chase Environmental Group and

Alaron Corporation maintain a teaming agreement for the recovery, recycle or disposal of sealed radioactive sources. The Alaron license and hot cell equipped facility allow for maximum flexibility in the safe handling of sealed sources over a large activity and nuclide spectrum. We offer turn-key service from collection through to delivery and eventual disposal

New for Chase/Alaron this year is a volume reduction service dedicated to the economical disposal of compactible radioactive waste. Chase has installed a 400.000 pound-force supercompactor at Alaron and compacts 55-gallon steel waste drums into pucks with an average density of approximately 90 lbs/ft3. Waste is disposed of at licensed "near surface" disposal facilities

Chase also conducts full-scale environmental remediation and decommissioning services for both radiological and chemically contaminated facilities. Chase maintains the staff and equipment necessary to conduct field operations on both large and small scales. Chase conducts all remediation activities in accordance with the latest regulatory protocols and using the latest available technology. The partnership with Alaron in this arena provides an outlet for the processing and disposal of waste generated from remediation activities. Contact: John O'Neil 865-584-0833 www.chaseenv.com



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After years of providing BWRs with high quality CRD maintenance equipment and services (including on-site rebuild and leak rate testing), we are pleased to offer these as offsite services. Combining the experience and knowledge of NES personnel with the facilities and experience of Alaron, in matters of dealing with radioactive contamination, radwaste and transportation, we will provide a superior alternative to OEM supplied services. Contact: Mark Wachowski 864-801-9770.



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Contact: Tim Blythe 724-772-9800 ext 5521



RWE NUKEM Group is the nuclear services business unit of RWE Solutions AG, a leading supplier of integrated technical systems and services for utilities and industrial companies worldwide.

RWE NUKEM Corporation is pleased to announce that the wet waste processing facility is in full operation at the Alaron site in Wampum, PA. The facility has been successfully and safely receiving and processing liquid radioactive waste from several customers. The waste processing equipment that RWE NUKEM has sited at the Fixed Base Facility consists of its ALCON™ processes.

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ALCON™ (Advanced Liquid CONcentration) consists of proven technologies such as the Concentrate-Dryer-1000 (or CD-1000), Reverse Osmosis, Ultra Filtration, and Demineralization Ion Exchange. Through the use of these systems, RWE NUKEM can offer considerable cost savings and waste volume reduction in the processing of radioactive liquids, evaporator bottoms, tank sludge, resins, etc. The waste acceptance criteria for sending material to the Fixed Base Facility may be accessed at www.rwe.nukem.com Contact: Dan Davis 865-482-6601



HydroAire is the largest independent pump service company in the United States. We are known in the industry for our detailed inspections, probable root cause scenarios, proactive solutions for extended life and performance, and quality repairs to stringent acceptance criteria. HydroAire has repaired and improved safety and non-safety related pumps since 1988. The high degree of repeat business is testimonial to our achievement in providing higher quality and responsiveness. Our shop, located in Chicago IL, is qualified to

10CFR50 Appendix B, and HydroAire has successfully completed two consecutive NUPIC audits. Our

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INTERNATIONAL

NAC International provides a broad range of services to the nuclear industry, including shipment of spent nuclear fuel and other nuclear materials throughout the world, nuclear fuel storage and transportation systems, anti-proliferation activities, and consulting expertise on the complete nuclear fuel cycle and associated issues. NAC clients include both operating and decommissioning nuclear facilities, research centers, universities, and government agencies. NAC's partnership with Alaron provides:

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Questions or for more information: Please contact Steve Ferguson 513-583-1744

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Alaron Corporation is proud to announce the opening of our Hot Machine Shop

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Nuclear Plants Build Up Management Power through Education and Training.

Let's face it – the strength of our business is in the detail. We need people long on technical knowledge who can manage to the minutia. Specific, nuclear power, task-based training is paramount to what we do, and we're good at making sure our employees get all the technical training and education they need to do it well.

What we're not so good at is training and educating our people to take on management positions. In fact, it's estimated that in the last ten years, we've lost anywhere from 33% to 50% of our management team to attrition. Managing takes more than just possessing the technical skill yourself. It takes leadership ability, knowledge of operations, and more. That's why people leave the job. When they're promoted into a management job without the right skills and education, it can be frustrating and unfulfilling to say the least.

The way to prepare a technically skilled person to take on a management job at your plant is to help him combine his nuclear training and experience with a relevant college degree program – one that awards credit for nuclear training, and provides a curriculum that is current and relevant to the world of work today. Better yet, find a degree program that does those two things and that is offered online – such as Bellevue University's.

A leader in offering online degree programs to adults, Bellevue University offers 16 bachelor's degrees that students can complete online, and they award credit for all sorts of industry, military, and corporate training.

The liaison connecting Bellevue University with nuclear power businesses throughout the country is Leo Croteau, a 22-year veteran of the nuclear power industry, and former training manager at Nebraska's Cooper Station, who comments, "What I encountered were a lot of smart people with some college credits and lots of industry training hours, but not the bachelor's degrees needed for promotion." Croteau makes the match for employees with Bellevue University, an institution that has articulated Institute of Nuclear Power Operations (INPO) training for credit toward its bachelor's degrees.

"Students enter the program with close to 60 credit hours earned from other accredited colleges or universities, nuclear training, military training, and such, and they are able to complete their bachelor's degree in as little as 15 months," continued Croteau.

In the nuclear industry, Bellevue University's Management Degree is hot. Offered completely online, employees of the plants complete their degrees from home, studying and interacting with fellow students and faculty at times convenient for them. The effort can be challenging, but the dedication alone speaks volumes to hiring managers. They see the effort the employee makes to get ahead in the organization, and the ability to complete a task.

John Christianson, former Plant Manager of Nebraska Public Power District's Cooper Station, has witnessed the positive results that a college education brings to the workplace. "A college education nicely complements the task-based technical training of the nuclear work place. It offers a broader way to look at things - how to think and reason, and how to combine that with your training," he said.

Specific to the Bellevue University program, Christianson, who also was the plant's training manager, said of three management degree graduates who work for him, *"The Management program from Bellevue University has exposed our employees to concepts of quality management, such as the need for continuous improvement in all phases of work. People learn to ask, 'What can I do better every day'?"*

In addition to gaining management strength, companies gain a valuable loyalty factor among employees. "An employee engages when his company helps him succeed in a management position – giving him a good, flexible degree program with relevant learning. When you feel valued and important, and that you have something to add, you stay," noted Croteau.

Christianson concurs. "My employees with management degrees have demonstrated new leadership traits. They are pro-active and know what they want to improve themselves, and broaden their skill set and knowledge base so they can be successful in the future."

Satisfied, loyal employees... voids filled in the management ranks...a productive, upwardmoving organization. If these are among your plant's goals for the coming fiscal years, power up your management ranks. Enhance your employees' technical training with bachelor's degrees that make a difference.

Leo Croteau can be reached at Bellevue University at **1-877-299-0009** or lccroteau@juno.com
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ROS, Incorporated (ROS) is proud to announce the completion of the development on the Convertible Viewing System (CVS) which includes a new ROS radiation tolerant black and white zoom video camera for underwater and in-air applications along with a shielded color zoom camera (SC-18), external lighting for each camera, a positioning unit, an umbilical cable and a control console.

The system was designed for fast and easy change out of all underwater components to suit most inspection needs while minimizing costs associated with maintenance and spares. This new camera system is currently completing final testing at the ROS headquarters in San Diego and will be ready for delivery to support fall outages.

ROS manufactures an array of harsh environment video, lighting, and positioning products designed for nuclear, oceanographic, industrial, and military applications. Our customers continue to voice high regard for our products and services as well as the ability to adapt to our customer's unique viewing applications. Some products designed for nuclear applications include:

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FIDS – Fuel Identification System: A computer controlled, enhanced image viewing system that dramatically improves the readability of fuel assembly serial numbers while performing core mapping verification.

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Chem-Nuclear Systems, LLC (CNS), our wholly owned subsidiary, has operated the Barrwell LLRW Disposal Facility for the State of South Carolina since 1969. This facility utilizes three types of shallow waste disposal trenches. The slit trenches are used for disposal of irradiated hardware and large-quantity sealed sources from commercial industries throughout the U.S. CNS safely and routinely handles slit trench shipments of 25,000 curies or more of activity. Other wastes, including large components, are buried in the Class A and Class B/C trenches. CNS operates the site with excellent safety and regulatory compliance records.

GUTOR Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) systems

GUTOR Electronic is a leading engineering company providing industrial power supply protection solutions (UPS). The company is part of the American Power Conversion corporation (APC), the world's largest UPS company. Product range include AC systems in the sizes of 5 – 220kVA single or threephase output, and DC systems available up to 1200A for the use in critical process control applications in the Oil&Gas, Petrochemical and Power Generation industries, including Nuclear plants.

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GUTOR maintain its own and certified quality management system for the quality control of all processes, products and services. In addition to regular internal controls, the management has been collaborating in external audits and quality assurance programmes. In particular the company can comply with nuclear quality programmes like CSA Z299, KTA1401, IAEA 50-C-QA and US10CFR50 appendix B.

GUTOR UPS systems have been installed and implemented in the process controls of quite a number of nuclear sites, throughout Europe, Canada, China, India, Ukraine and the United States.

For questions regarding our competences and experience in UPS system applications for the nuclear industries, you can send queries to gutor info@apcc com



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