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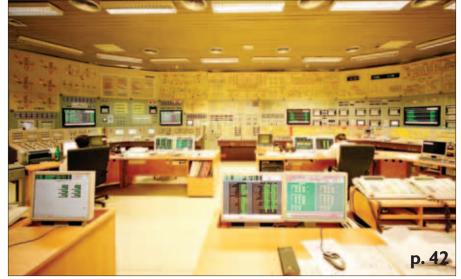
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INTERNATIONAL

Russia's Atomstroyexport wins contract for Belene project. U.K. government comes out with "final" waste plan. New era begins for Springfields and the NDA. Recovery of damaged fuel elements begins at Hungary's Paks-2. Australia's OPAL reactor reaches full operating power. New associate members sign on to Team CANDU. China may reform power management system. European Commission investigates French loan guarantee for Olkiluoto-3. Plant life extension to be issue at next German energy summit. India studies future possibilities for thorium-based fuel. Sweden's SKB applies to build spent fuel encapsulation plant. IAEA safeguards focus on undeclared activities.

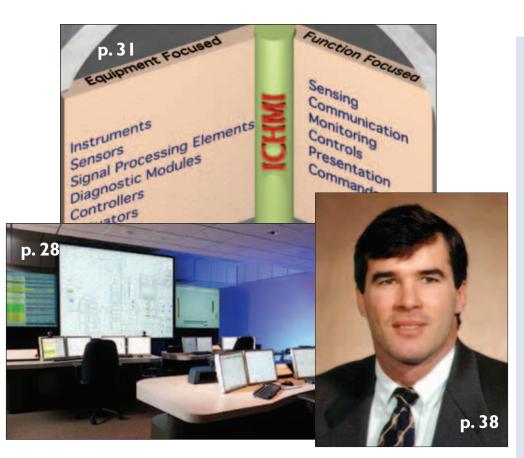
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Sen. Reid, Nevada residents remain foes of HLW repository at Yucca Mountain. INL completes removal of historic reactor building. Radioactive sludge removed from Hanford Site's K East basin. SRS materials stabilized to meet recommendations. Advocate groups say no to Yucca Mountain, interim sites for spent fuel storage. SRS ships 20 000th drum of TRU waste to WIPP.

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Perma-Fix intends to acquire Nuvotec USA; other business developments. TVA selects Sargent & Lundy for outsourced engineering; other contracts.

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