# **Nuclear Beyond Electricity**

### Expanding Missions of Nuclear Energy for a Sustainable Future

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# Future Needs for Nuclear Energy

## **Energy is Fundamental to Modern Civilization**





## Our Sustainability Challenge: Replacing Fossil Fuels



Primary Energy

**Energy End-Use** 



## **Nuclear Energy Enables Multiple Missions**



### Nuclear Energy Will Need to Play a Vital Role in Our Future



### Sustainability Requires That We Think Big!



# EPRI's Nuclear Beyond Electricity Research Area

## **Nuclear Beyond Electricity Research Area**

Enable **existing** and **future** nuclear plants to participate in energy markets beyond the practice of generating baseload electricity.



## **Research Approach**





### Industrial Uses for Nuclear Energy: Low Carbon Fuel Production



## Industrial Uses for Nuclear Energy: Process Manufacturing





## **Nuclear Energy in Pulp and Paper Workshop**

#### WHY?

Explore Benefits and Opportunities Utilizing Nuclear Energy for Pulp and Paper

#### WHEN?

July  $25^{th} - 26^{th}$ 

#### WHERE?

Charlotte, NC

#### WHO?

Nuclear Plant Owner-Operators, Pulp and Paper Companies, Architect-Engineering Firms, Reactor OEMs, NGOs





# Path Forward For Using Nuclear Energy Industrial Applications



## **Challenges to Be Addressed**



### **Reactor Technology Is Not The Hard Part**

## Keys to Success for Industrial End Users

#### RECOGNIZE NUCLEAR IS UNIQUE



Nuclear is a special technology that has hazards requiring oversight to ensure safe operation and thus public acceptance.

#### LEARN THE TECHNOLOGY



Nuclear reactors are highly engineered systems with many dependent subsystems and components.

#### BUILD ORGANIZATIONAL CAPABILITY



Nuclear technology requires an organizational commitment to effectively manage the nuclear asset.

### Need to Approach Nuclear Differently Than Conventional Technologies

## **Keys to Success for Reactor OEMs**

#### UNDERSTAND THE INDUSTRIAL MARKETS



Instead of one homogenous electric market, there are tens of unique industrial markets and thousands of unique industrial facilities.

#### CONSIDER A PRODUCT PORTFOLIO



Most steam plants utilize packaged boilers and HRSGs, which are engineered-to-order products. A one-size fits all approach may result in poor economics.

#### DELIVER STANDARD HEAT SOURCES, NOT PLANTS



Nuclear steam supply systems will need to be standardized building blocks for unique central utilities plants.

### Industrial Markets Have Different and Diverse Needs Than The Electric Market

# Summary



## SUMMARY

Modern Civilization Will Require Significant Amounts Of Energy To Replace Fossil Fuels Nuclear Energy Can Be Used In Many Different Ways To Help Fill This Need Need To Have A Grounded Approach To Application Of Nuclear Energy In Industrial Applications

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