

#### REGULATORY ROUTE TO COMMERCIAL NUCLEAR DEPLOYMENT

#### THE DRIVER'S SEAT: TAILORING THE ROUTE YOU TAKE

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Mr. Peter Hastings is the Vice President of Regulatory Affairs & Quality at Kairos Power and leads teams responsible for licensing and permitting activities, safety analysis and probabilistic risk assessment, quality assurance, and government affairs with a focus on establishing the regulatory basis for Kairos Power's reactor technology.

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Kairos Power's mission is to enable the world's transition to clean energy, with the ultimate goal of dramatically improving people's quality of life while protecting the environment.

In order to achieve this mission, we must prioritize our efforts to focus on a clean energy technology that is *affordable* and *safe*.

#### Overview of Kairos Power

- Nuclear energy engineering and design company singularly focused on the commercialization of the fluoride saltcooled high temperature reactor (FHR)
  - Founded in 2016
  - Current Staffing
    - >170 Employees
    - ~90% Engineering Staff
- Private funding commitment to engineering design and licensing program and physical demonstration through nuclear and non-nuclear technology development program
- Schedule driven by US demonstration by 2030 (or earlier) and rapid deployment ramp in 2030s
- Cost targets set to be competitive with natural gas in the US electricity market

#### Kairos Power Headquarters



Kairos Power Team





#### Kairos Power Locations





# Kairos Power Highlights of Recent Progress

#### **Internal Milestones and Accomplishments:**



R-Lab Rapid Prototyping and Technology Development



S-Lab Flibe Chemistry and Materials Testing Lab



T-Facility Engineering Test Unit New Mexico Expansion



Hermes Reactor Site Selection East Tennessee Technology Park



**External Awards and Validation:** 

Nuclear Regulatory Commission Pre-Application Engagement



**Cooperative Development Agreement** Development & Demonstration Collaboration for Hermes



DOE Advanced Reactor Demonstration Program (ARDP) Risk Reduction Award



#### Kairos Power Path to Commercialization: Successive Large-Scale Integrated Demonstrations





#### **Risk Reduction**



Risk reduction ———

Kairos Power is significantly retiring risk to commercial deployment:

- Technical and Cost risk via iterative development and Hermes reactor
- Regulatory risk via comprehensive pre-application engagement
- Commercial risk via full-scale U-Facility







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(AUTION) Policy issues or rule changes?





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Monitor, iterate regulatory engagement





# **KP-FHR Regulatory Strategy**





## **Regulatory Framework**

- 10 CFR 50 construction permit and operating license
- 10 CFR 53 and other major changes not timely for Kairos Power schedule
- Assessment of current framework for impacts
  - Non-LWR
  - Standard review plan NUREG-0800 vs. NUREG-1537
  - Risk-informed safety case
- Active pre-application engagement
- Monitor/iterate
  - Pivot to Hermes NPUF
  - Updated regulatory gap analysis



#### NRC Pre-Application Engagement Status

- >20 technical or topical reports or revisions to date
- Pilot of "no-RAI" review
- Multiple audits, onsite reviews (including PIRT acceptance)
- NRC approvals:
  - Principal Design Criteria
  - Test Scaling Methodology
  - Salt Coolant Qualification
  - Licensing Basis Event Selection
- ACRS review of Test Scaling and Salt topicals (Fuel Performance pending)
- Under review:
  - Regulatory Gap Analysis
  - Fuel Performance
  - QA Program
  - High-Temp Metallic Materials
  - Mechanistic Source Term
  - Fuel Qualification
  - High-Temp Graphite Materials

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