

# Introduction of Major Activities in NSTC of INER

**Presented to Honorable Guesses** 

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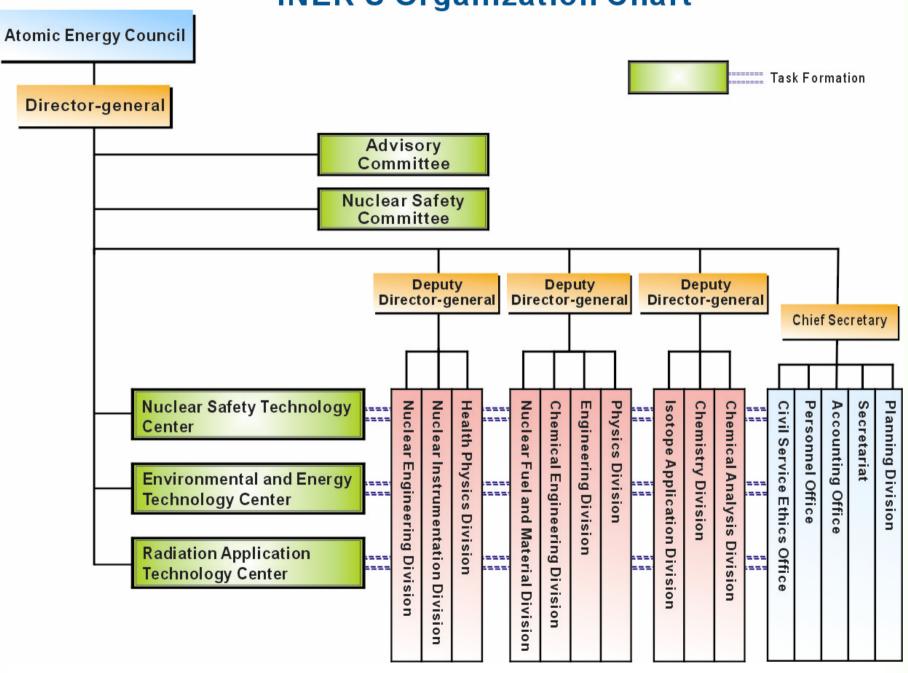
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# 1. Mission and Organization of INER

#### Mission:

- To develop domestic nuclear technologies to support nuclear safety regulation and to enhance operational efficiency for nuclear power in Taiwan
- To develop nuclear facilities decommission, and radioactive waste management technologies
- To develop radiopharmaceutical and radiation applications technologies
- To develop technologies on new and renewable energy

#### **INER'S Organization Chart**

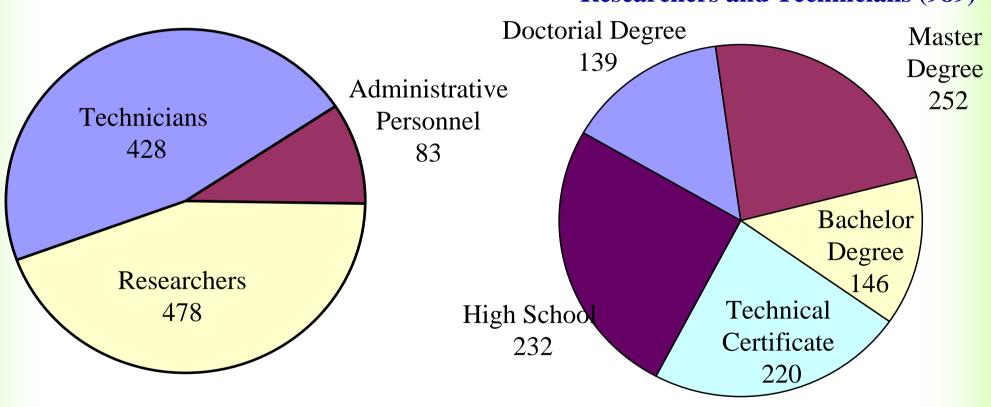


#### **INER's Staffs**

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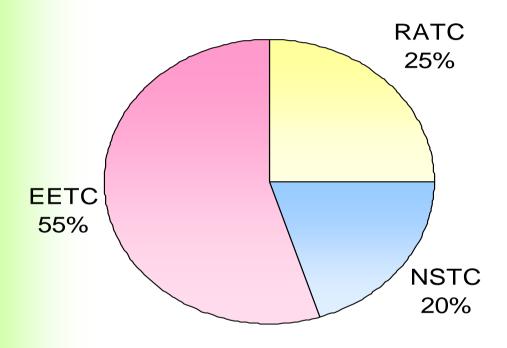
# **Education**Researchers and Technicians (989)

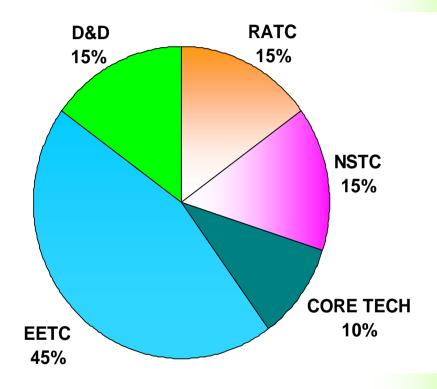


258 by contract

### **R&D Budget of 2005**

### Planning Budget Share in Future

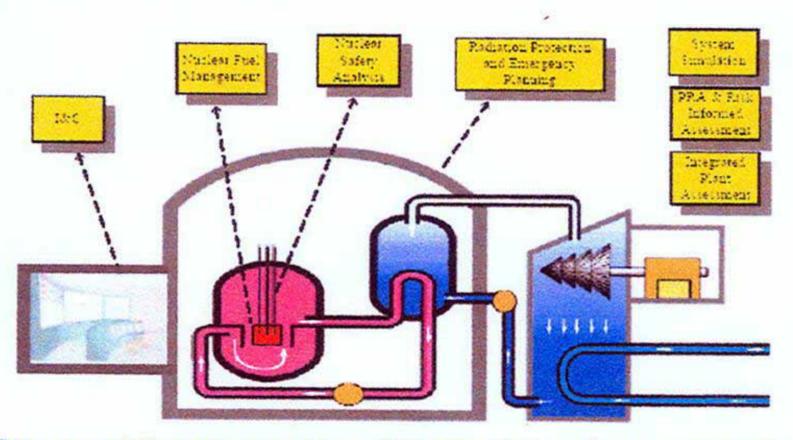




U\$ 25M(funded by Gov.)
U\$ 20M(TPC &Domestic Comp.)

# (1) Nuclear Safety Research Area in NSTC

Main Technologies of Nuclear Safety Center

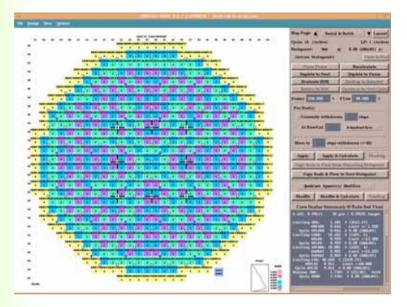


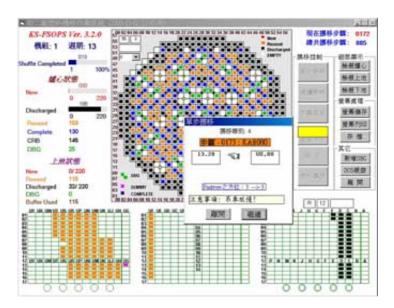
To support the safe operation of Taiwan's 6 nuclear power units

# Core Technologies in NSTC

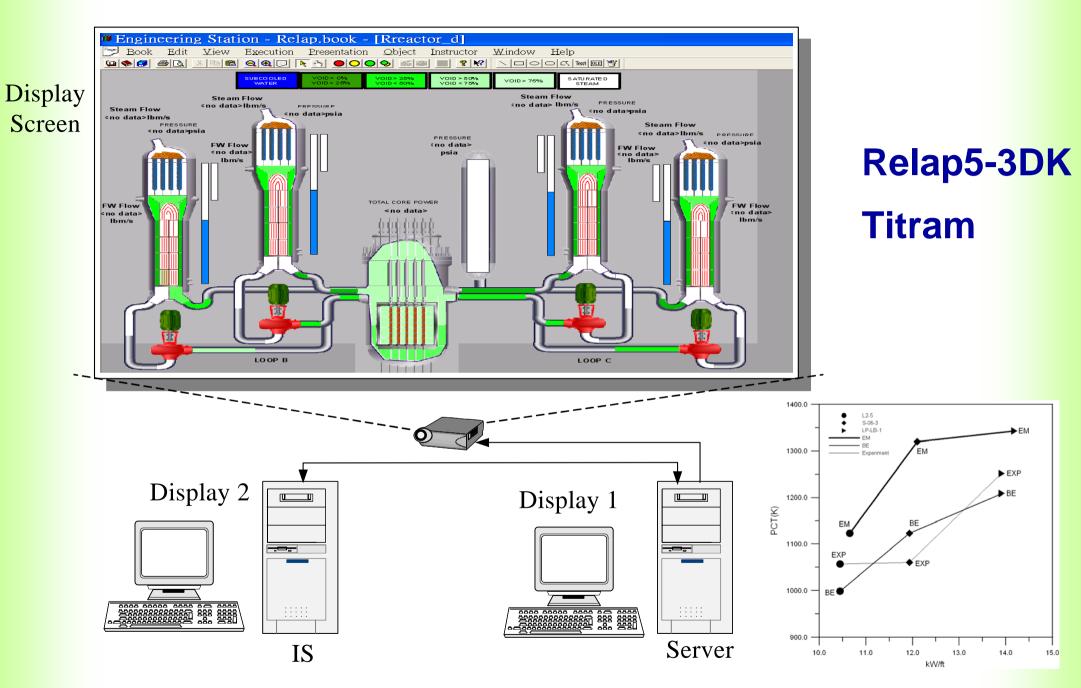
- 1. Core Management and Design
- 2. Transient Simulations and Accident Analyses
- 3. Nuclear Fuel and Material Testing and Evaluation
- 4. Nuclear Reactor Water Chemistry Evaluation
- 5. Components Aging Evaluation
- 6. Nondestructive Testing
- 7. Concrete Structure Safety and Performance Analyses
- 8. Plant Risk Assessment
- 9. Plant Thermal Efficiency Analyses and Diagnoses
- 10. Nuclear Power Plant Design Review
- 11. Nuclear Power Plant Instrumentation and Control
- 12. Radiation Standard Measurement and Evaluation
- 13. Nuclear Accident Emergency Responses Analysis
- 14.Radiation Dose Measurement and Radiation Safety Analyses

# In-core Fuel Management Techniques



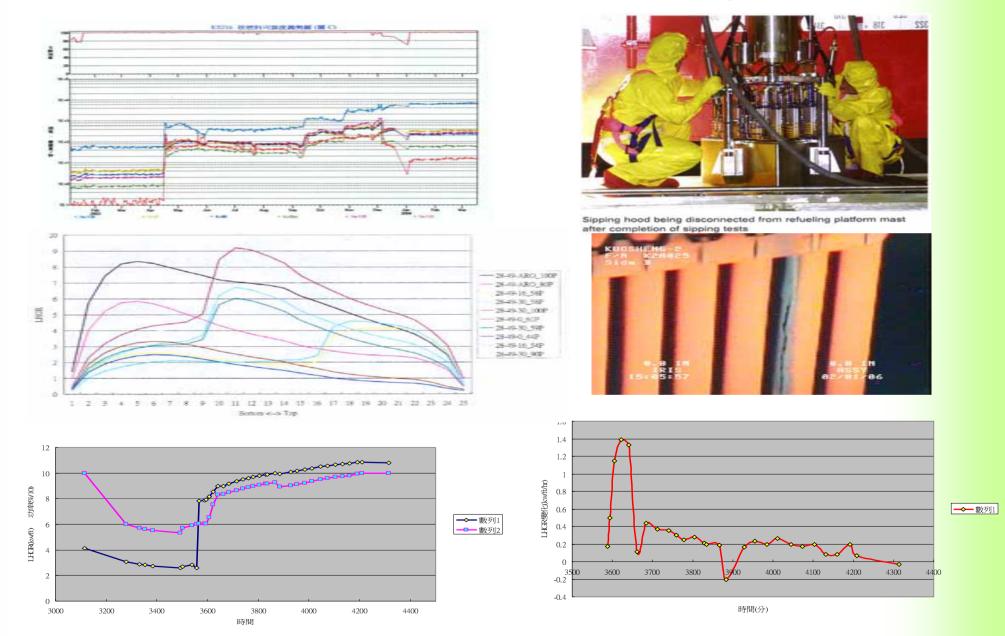


- Core Follow Benchmark & Core Design Evaluation
- Core Loading Pattern Design
- •Core Management Application Software
- Criticality Safety Analysis
- Accident Analysis
- •Fuel Bid Evaluation

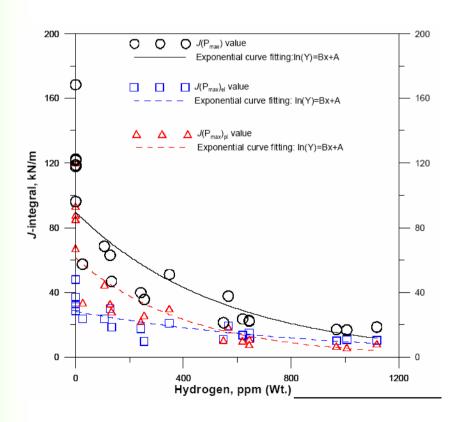


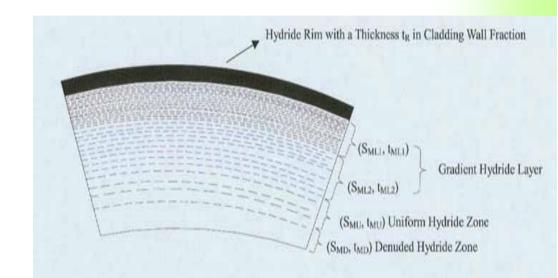
Hardware Configuration of Engineering Simulator

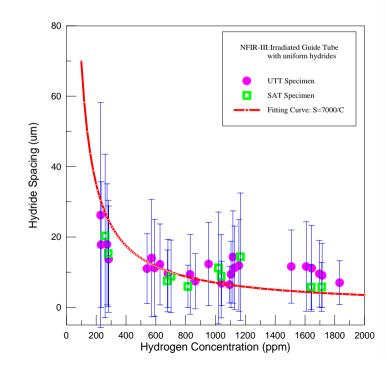
### **Fuel Inspection and Root Cause Analysis**



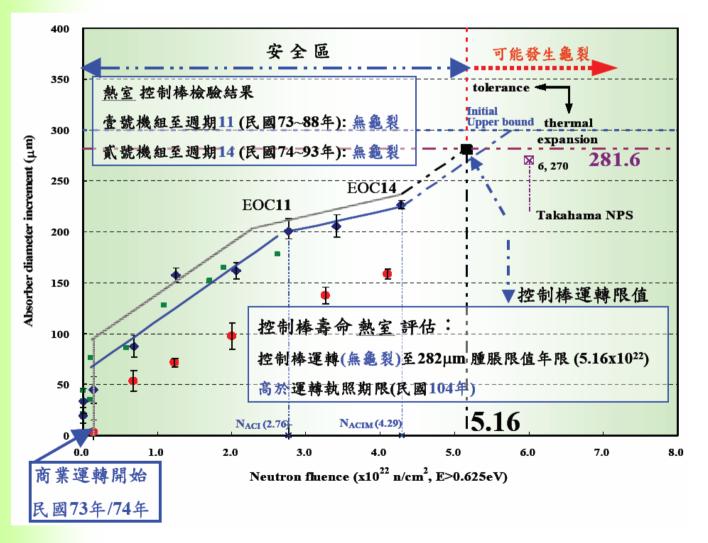
# **Hydride Effect on Zircaloy Cladding**







# Hot Cell Examination and Life Evaluation for Maanshan NP Control Rod



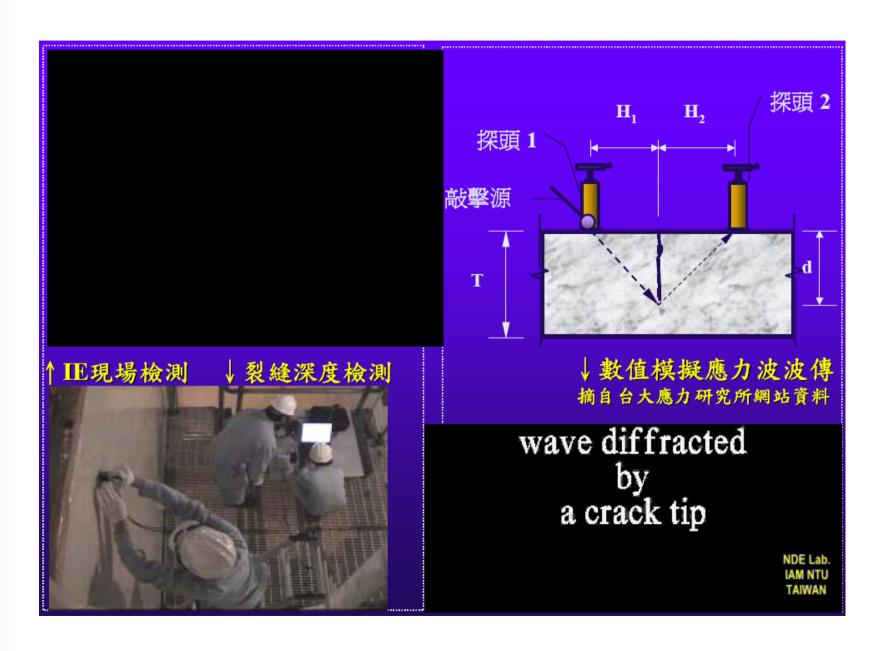
#### **Benefits:**

- Assure the Safety of Maanshan NP Control Rod
- Reduce Control Rod Replacement Frequency
- Reduce the Radwaste of Control Rod

# **Lungmen NPP Project Pedestal Weld UT Inspection**

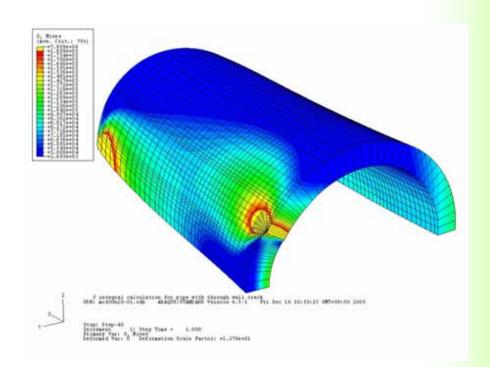


# NDT Tech. For Concrete Strucure

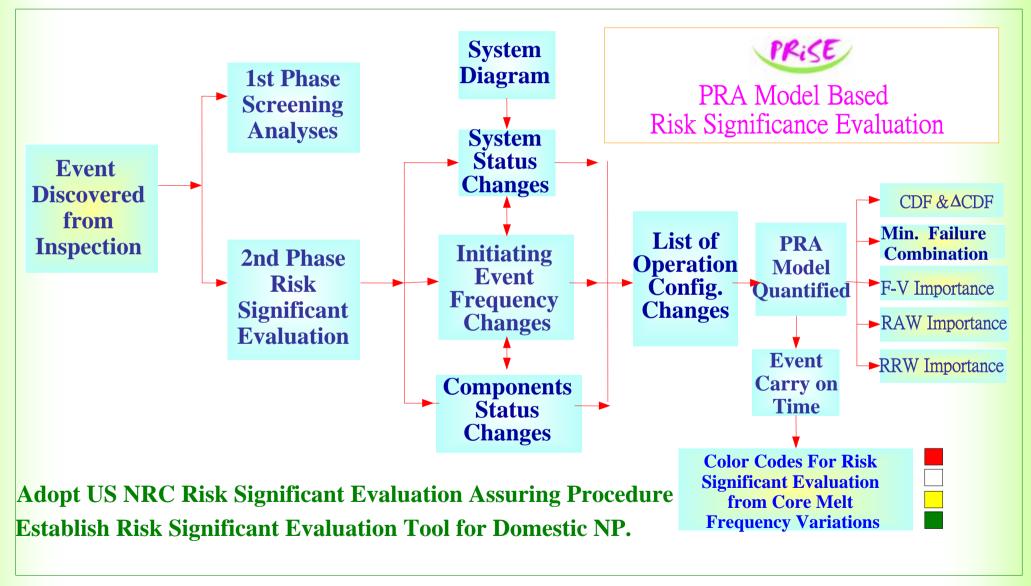


#### **Expertises on Engineering Mechanics**

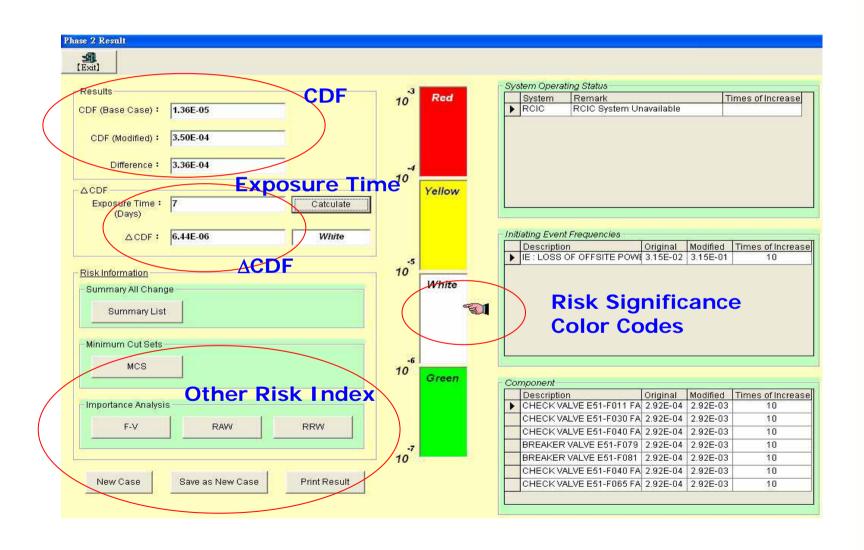
- Major expertises on engineering mechanics include
  - Nuclear piping
  - Reactor vessel internals
  - Steam generator
  - BOP heat exchangers
- Main projects
  - Elasto-plastic fracture evaluation for cracked pipes of nuclear plant
  - Maintenance on BWR reactor and internals
  - Performance and retubing analysis for feedwater heaters of nuclear power plants



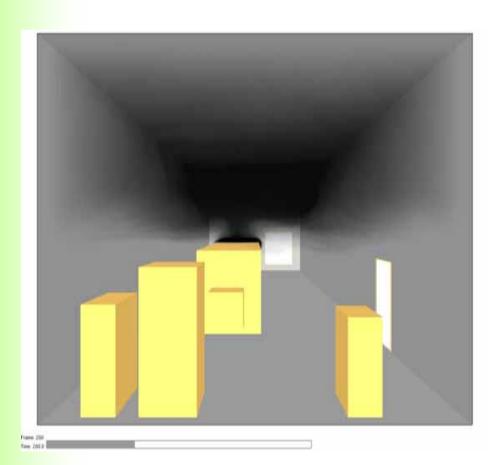
# PRA Model Based Risk Significance Evaluation

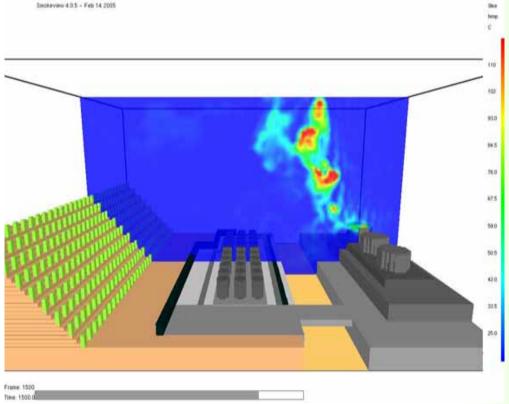


# Risk evaluation and management

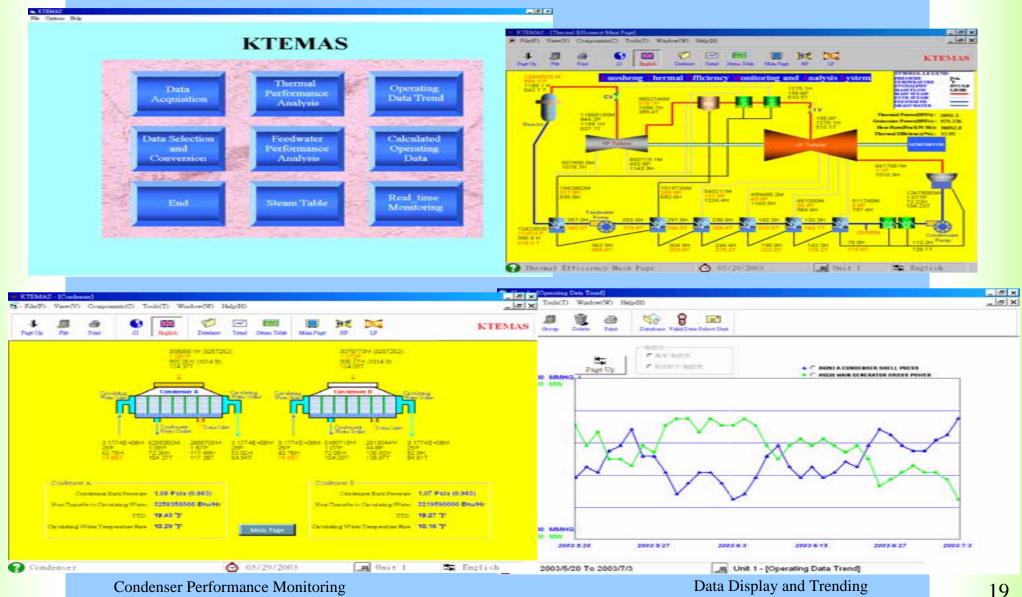


# Smoke distribution and Fire Simulation of NPP and ISFSI Site





# THERMAL EFFICIENCY MONITORING SYSTEM FOR KUOSHENG NUCLEAR POWER PLANT



### Digital Instrumentation and Control System

- Software Verification and Validation
- Software Safety Analysis
- Human Factors Engineering (HFE)
- Design and Simulation of Digital Control System
- I&C System Safety and Security Assessment
- Applications:
  - Licensing Review Support to AEC
  - TPC Lungmen Project DCIS System
  - I&C Retrofit Project of TPC Nuclear Power Plants

OECD COMPSIS (OECD Exchange of Operating Experience concerning Computer-based

**Systems Important to Safety Project)** 

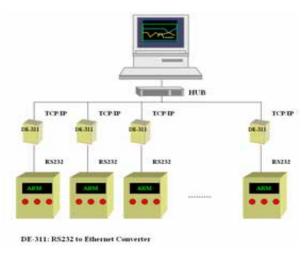


HFE Design Review



Test Bed of Digital I&C System

- Integrated Control and Monitoring System of Nuclear Radwaste Facility
  - Visualized inventory status;
  - Scheme for the reallocation of radwaste drums;
  - TCP/IP-based software to exchange information;
  - OPC-based software to integrate various PLC-based equipment;
  - Efficient, reliable redundant database;
  - Multi-port, real-time data acquisition system;
  - INER designed area radiation monitoring system



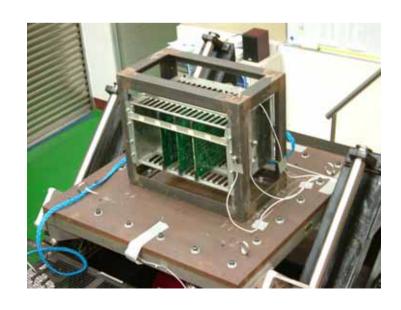
Radiation Monitoring System



Computerized Inventory Control System

# Seismic Shake Table and Services for Nuclear and Non-Nuclear Components







- Nuclear Safety Component Dedication and Qualification
  - EPRI NP5652: Commercial Grade Item Dedication (CGID)
  - IEEE Std. 323: Environmental Qualification
  - IEEE Std. 344: Seismic Qualification
  - USNRC 10CFR50 App. B: Quality Requirements



4.16 KV Breaker Dedication

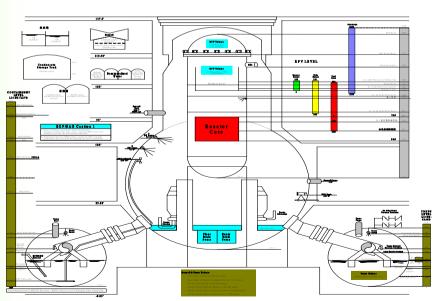


Seismic Switch Dedication

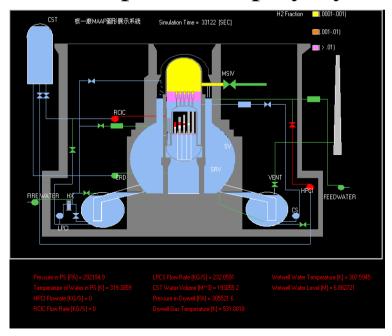
# Decision Assistance Diagram for ChinShan NP Accident Management

- •The Severe Accident Management Guideline (SAMG) of Three NPPs Were Developed
- •The SAMGs Were Applied in Emergency Response Exercise

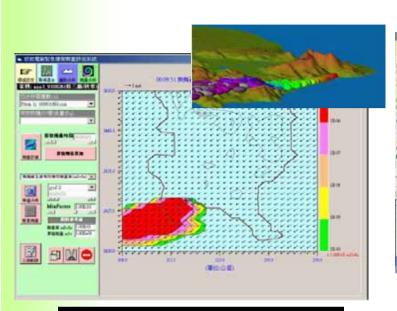
#### SAMG Aid of Chinshan NPP



#### MAAP4 Graphical Display System



# Emergency Response (nuclear accident & dirty bomb)



**Dose assessment** 



**Environmental radiation survey and monitor** 

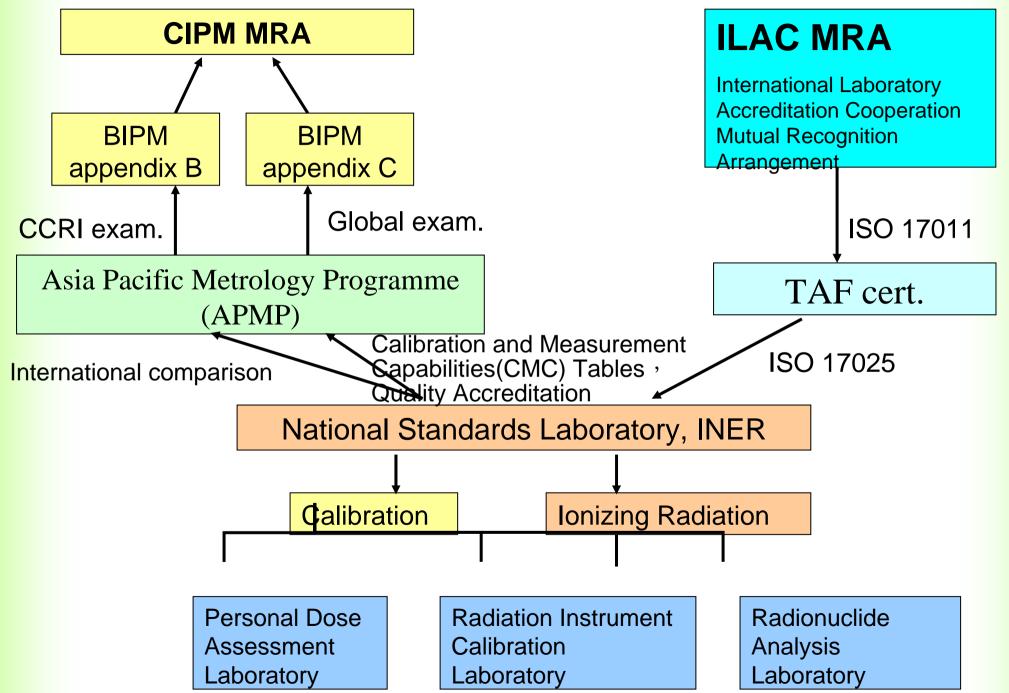


**Demonstration for dirty bomb in 2004** 





# **Radiation Standard**



### **Radiation Safety**





**AEC** 

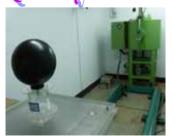
Medical machine and radiation source inspection

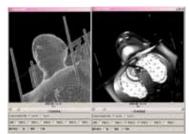
Incident management



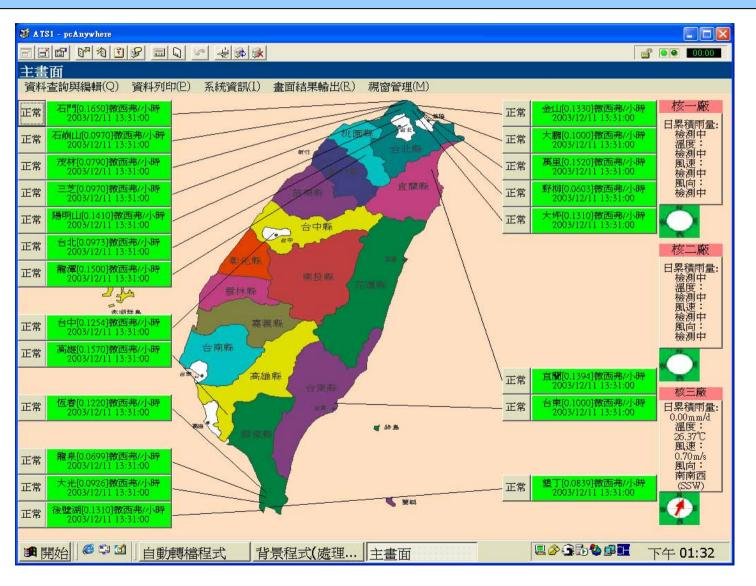






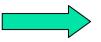


# The Environmental Radiation Monitoring Network System of Taiwan Radiation Monitoring Center



# **CLEARANCE**

AEC



Regulations on Clearance Level for Radioactive Waste Management

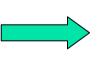
Dec. 29, 2004





Decommissioning Technology
Decontamination Technology
Clearance planning
Radioactivity Survey and Measurement
Sampling and Radioactivity Analysis
Environmental Monitoring
Radiation Dose assessment
Instrument Calibration
Data-base Knowledge Management
Radioactive Waste Management









Radiated operation area



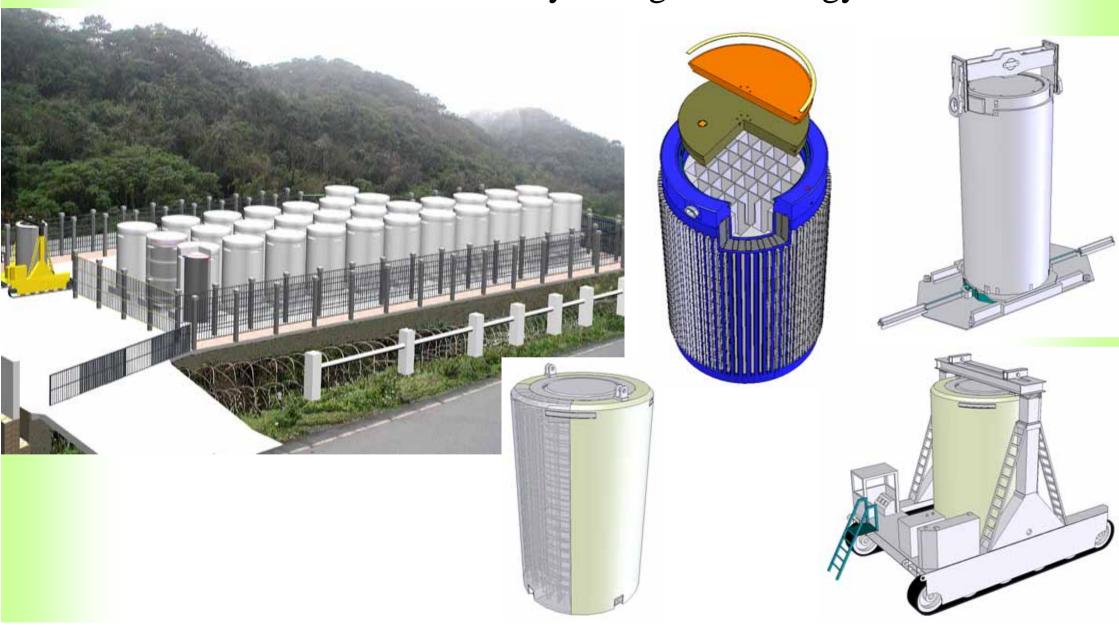




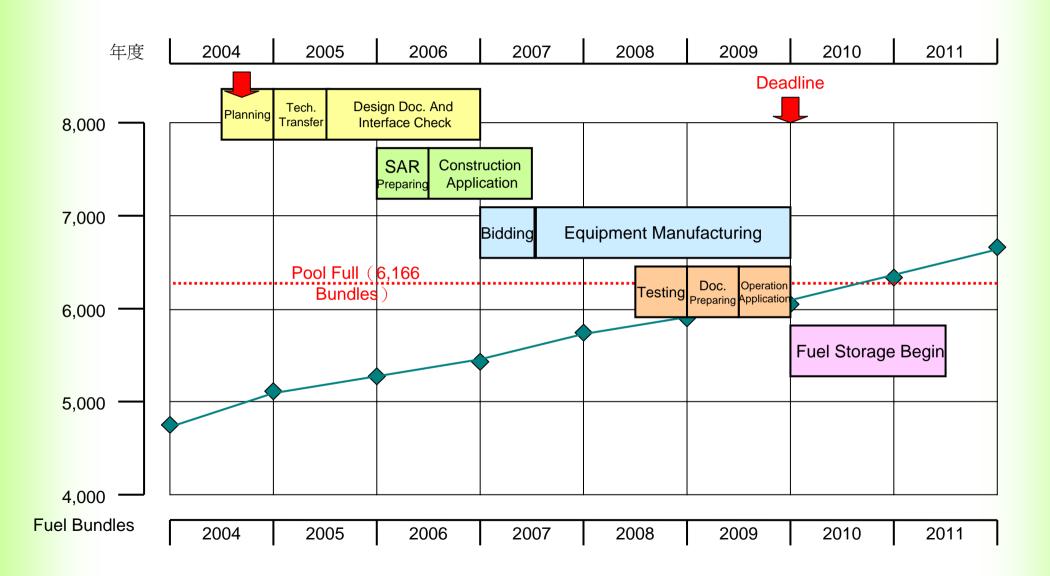


# Spent Fuel Management

ISFSI interim dry storage technology



# Timetable of Kuosheng NP Spent Fuel Interim Storage



# INER's Main Facilities for Radwaste Management

- Radwaste Treatment Plant
- Radwaste Storage Facilities
- Contaminated Metal Melting and Casting Plant
- Plasma Melter Plant
- Radwaste Solidification and Volume Reduction Laboratory



TRR Reactor Shielding Block Removal



TRR Wet Storage Tank Removal



Initiation of TRR Reactor Shielding Block Removal



TRR Shielding Block Removal Accomplished on 2004.4.20



Clean-up the Spent-Fuel Pool



Dismantled Concrete Block
Preparing for Storage



Aluminum Tube Inside the Spent Fuel Pool



Handling Equipment for Aluminum Tube





Equipements for TRR Fuel Stabilization and the Oxidized product



Aluminum Tube Cutting and Packaging



U Powder Collection and **Sedimentation Tank** 



Mo-99 Facility at Bldg. 14 started dismantling on 2003.6.20



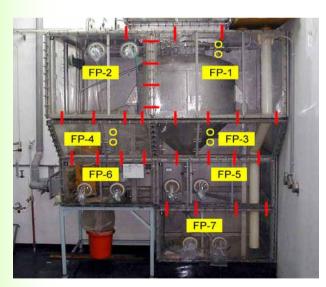
Equipments Outside
Hot Cell being
Dismantled



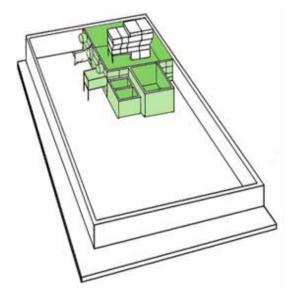
Staffs Preparing to Enter Hot Cell



Equipments Inside Hot Cell Dismantled



Planning to Dismantle Unit 21 Glove Box at Bldg. 016



A Design of PC Tent



Personnel Training



# Timetable Of Low-Level Waste Disposal R&D

Years	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Items	Siting		EIA	Land Acquisition	PSAR	Construction			FSAR	
GOV Project		Disp	osal Concept Safety Review			Operation Safety Review				
			HIC Container Development							
		Monitoring and Dose			Evaluation					
TPC Project		Waste Pa	ckage Asse	essment						
						Disposal	Facilities C	ptimization		
A/E Project	Waste Quantity and Character Evaluation									
	Dis	tribution C	oefficient M	leasuremen	nt					
	Ra	diation Bad	kground M	onitoring						
	Ac	ceptance C	riteria							
	Ra	diation Pro	tection Pla	n						
	Fe	asibility Sa	ety Analys	S						
Project	Regulation	Complian	ce Publi	c Acceptan	ce					
	Code Tran	sfer & Trair	ing Qual	ty Assuranc	ce					
	Safety Ass	essment Te	ch.(1)Safe	ty Assessm	ent Tech.(2	2)				

#### **■ Plasma Melter**



The Press Conference for Cooperation Between INER and China Shipbuilding Corp. in Taiwan



- \*Expect to Complete Test and Operational License Application in 2004
- **\* Torch Life >500 Hr** in 2006

### INER's Plasma Melter

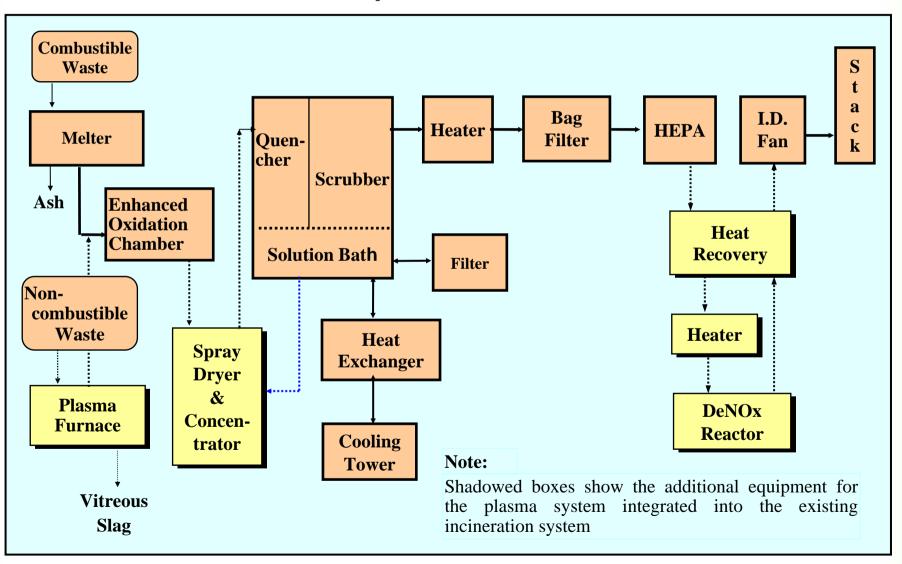


**INER-PF250R LLW plasma Melter** 





# Schematic diagram of LLW plasma melting process



# Photos of Municipal Solid Waste Fly Ash and Vitreous Slag



**MSW Fly Ash** 

**Vitreous Slag** 

# WOHEST Cooperation Project between INEEL and INER -WOHEST:

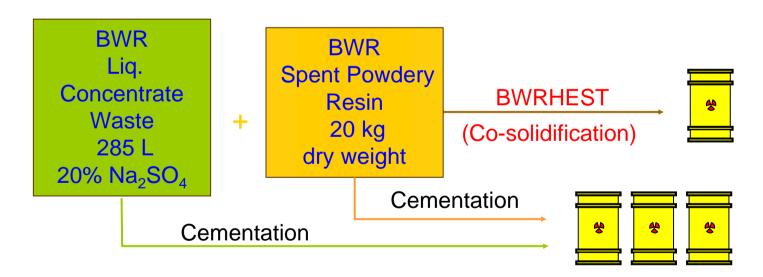
- A combination of the Wet Oxidation Technology (WOT) and the High Efficiency Solidification Technology.
- The total solution for volume reduction and solidification of liquid wastes & spent ion exchange (IER) resins from PWRs and BWRs.
- Objective of cooperation :

To promote INER's WOHEST technology for the treatment of radioactive spent ion exchange resin (IER) in US market.

# **BWRHEST**

#### BWRHEST

Accomplish "solidify wastes with wastes" by co-solidification of BWR wastes resulting in high volume reduction



Comparison of solidified-waste volume by BWRHEST and cementation

# **Closing Remarks**

Close Cooperation with American Organization

USNRC: CAMP, COOPRA, CSARP, BINP

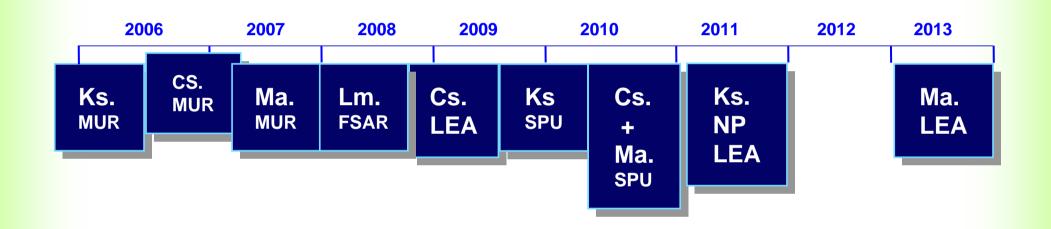
Nation Lab.: SNL, BNL, INL, ORNL, ANL

Vendor: GE, W, FANP-Richland, NAC

Other Organization: EPRI, NIST

#### **Closing Remarks**

#### Forecast of Taiwan's Nuclear Power Plants Activities



# **Evaluation of the Synergistic Effects of LR, PUR and Short Outage**



# Thank you for your Attention