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# APR1400 Safe, Reliable Technology

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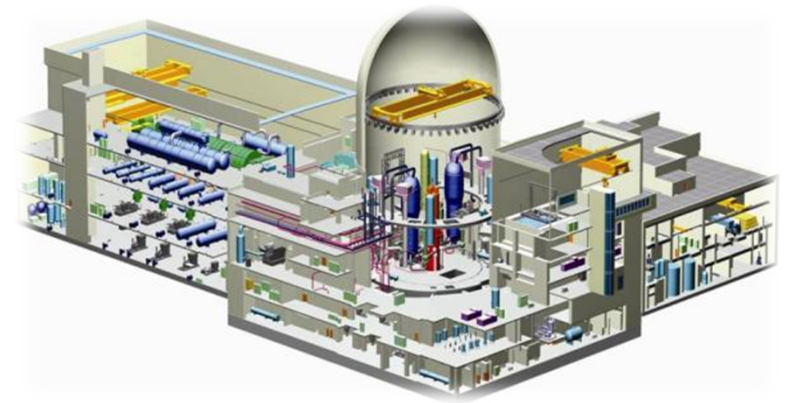
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# 1. Introduction

- **Technology Overview**
- **APR1400 Development**
- **Evolutionary Technology Development**
- **Design Goals**

## Evolutionary Advanced Light Water Reactor Technology

- Offering significant advances in safety and economics
- Design addresses the expectation of utilities for ALWR
- Design complies with up-to-date regulatory requirements of Korea and US and IAEA requirements
- Severe accident mitigation design features
- Eight units, four in Korea and another four in the UAE, currently under construction

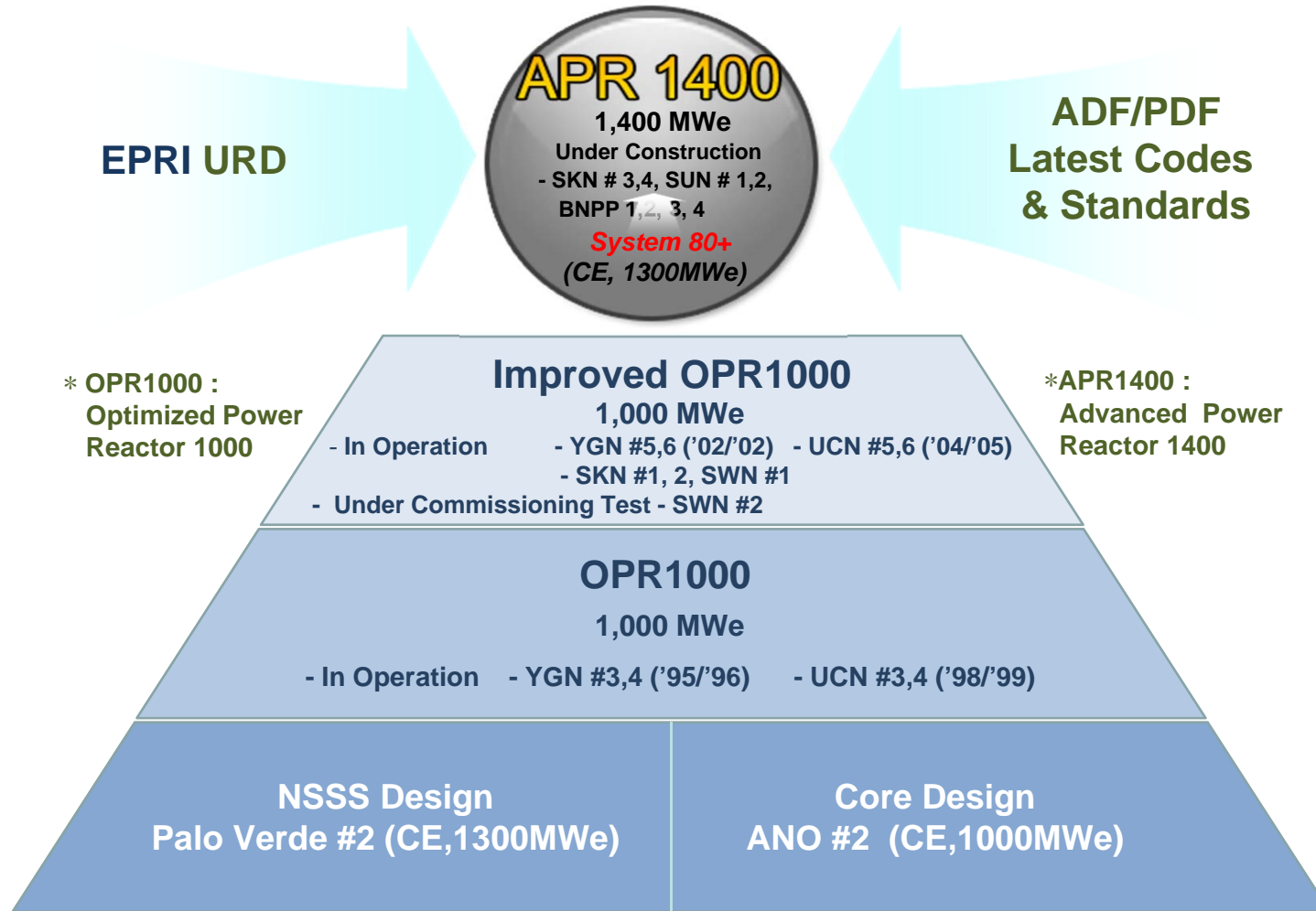


# APR1400 Development

## Strategy

- ❑ Design adopting evolutionary improvement strategy based on proven standard/reference design
- ❑ Incorporate advanced design features to enhance safety and operational flexibility
- ❑ Optimize design for economic improvement
- ❑ Compliance with the Utility Design Requirements (domestic & world-wide)
  - Proven Technology
  - Constructability
  - Regulatory Stabilization
  - Maintainability

# Evolutionary Technology Development



# Design Goals

## ❑ Safety

- Core Damage Frequency  $< 10E^{-5}/RY$
- Containment Failure Frequency  $< 10E^{-6}/RY$
- Seismic Design Basis : 0.3 g
- Occupational radiation exposure  $< 1 \text{ man}\cdot\text{Sv}/RY$

## ❑ Performance

- Thermal Margin  $> 10 \%$
- Plant Availability  $> 90 \%$
- Unplanned Trip  $< 0.8/R Y$

## ❑ Economy

- Plant Capacity (Gross) : 1,455 MW<sub>e</sub>
- Plant Lifetime : 60 years
- Refueling Cycle :  $\geq 18$  months
- Construction Period : 48 months (N-th Unit)

## 2. Major Safety Design Characteristics

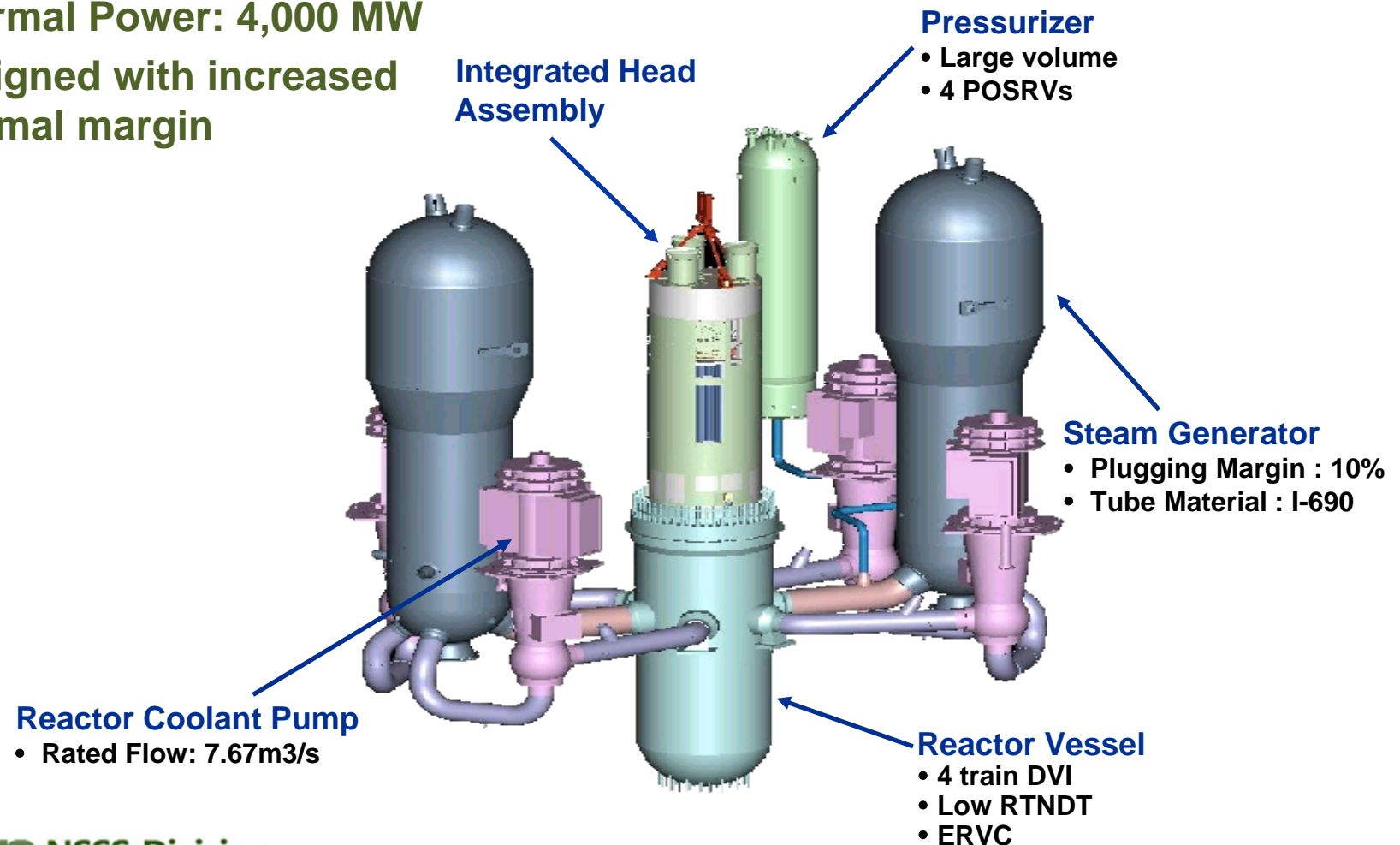
- Improved Thermal Margin
- Advanced Fuel Technology
- Enhanced Reliability of Safety Systems
- Digital I&C System
- Severe Accident Mitigation
- Protection Against External Hazards



# Improved Thermal Margin

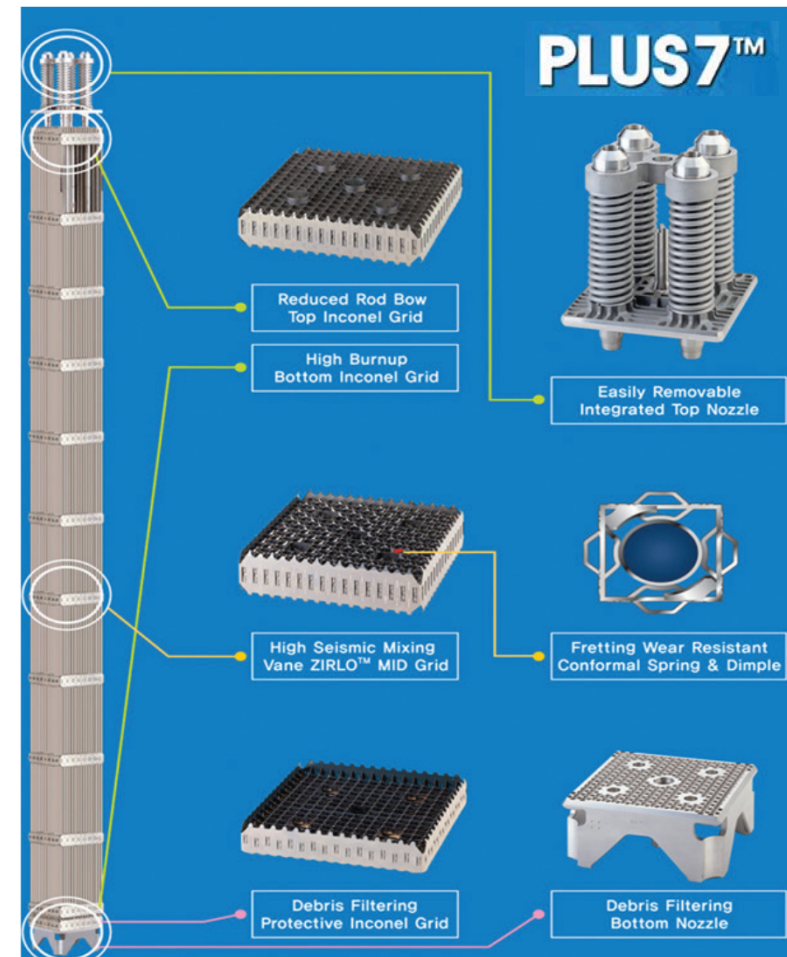
## Reactor Coolant System

- ❑ Thermal Power: 4,000 MW
- ❑ Designed with increased thermal margin



## Major Improvement

- ❑ Increased thermal margin of larger than 10 %
- ❑ High burnup of 55,000 MWD/MTU
- ❑ Improved neutron economy
- ❑ Improved seismic resistance
- ❑ Improved the resistance against fretting wear
- ❑ Debris-Filter Bottom Nozzle
- ❑ Improved Fuel Productivity



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# Enhanced Reliability of Safety Systems

## ☐ Safety Injection System

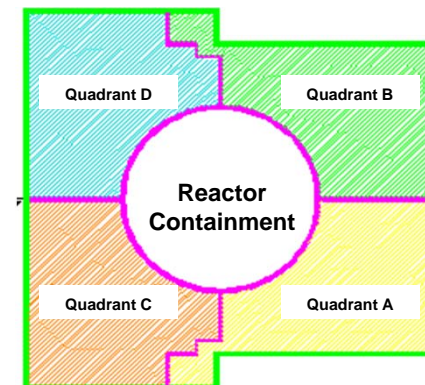
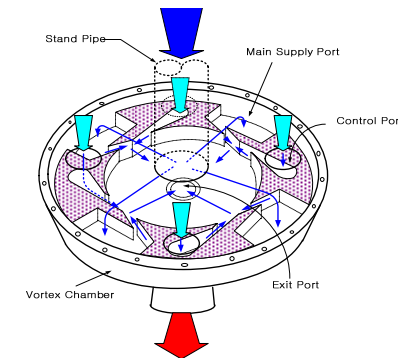
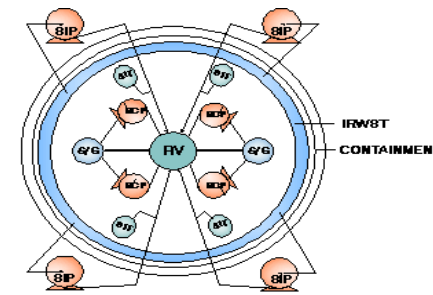
- 4 independent trains, Direct Vessel Injection
- Water source: In-containment Refueling Water Tank
- Fluidic Device for effective use of coolant

## ☐ Auxiliary Feedwater System

- Diversity in component design: turbine driven and motor driven pumps
- Turbine drive pump can provide cooling water without the supply of AC power

## ☐ Enhanced Physical Separation

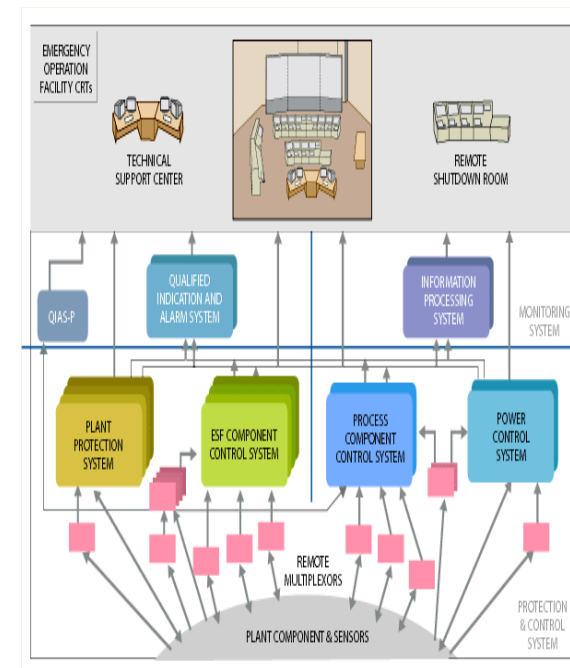
- Four-quadrant arrangement of safety systems



# Digital I&C System

## MMIS and I&C System

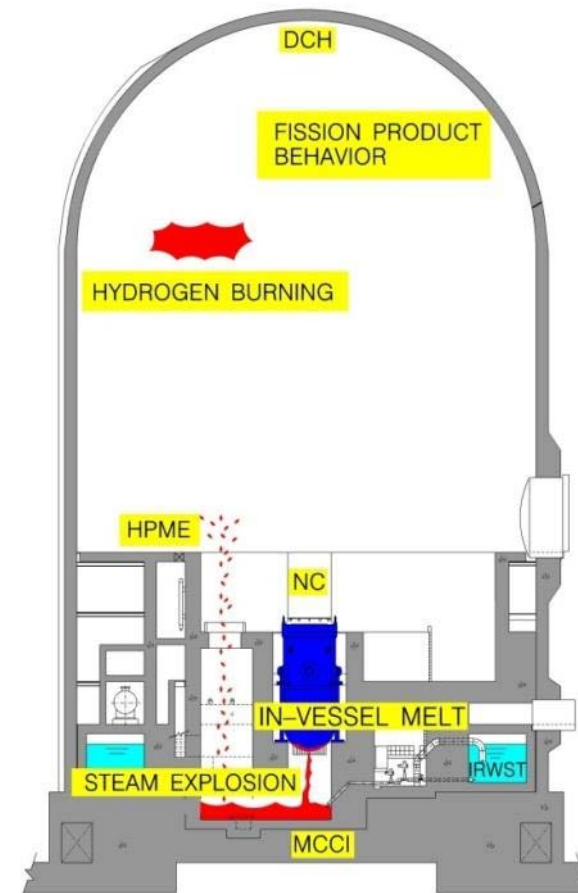
- ❑ Digital technology & data communication network
- ❑ Proven, Open & standard architecture
- ❑ Defense against common mode failure
  - Diversity between DCS and PLC
  - Reactor trip : PPS, DPS, Manual PPS Actuation
  - ESF-CCS : PPS, Manual by soft control, Hard wired Manual ESF Actuation
  - Alarm & Indications : IPS, QIAS-N, Diverse Indication
- ❑ Operability & Maintenance
  - Auto test, Self-diagnosis
- ❑ Computerized Procedure System
- ❑ V&V for Human Factors Engineering Design



# Severe Accident Mitigation

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- ❑ **Advanced design features for the prevention and mitigation of severe accidents**
  - Safety Depressurization & Vent System
  - Hydrogen Control System
  - Large reactor cavity & corium chamber
  - Cavity Flooding System
  - In-Vessel Retention & Ex-Reactor Vessel Cooling System
  - Emergency Containment Spray Backup System
  - Equipment survivability assessment



## ❑ Design consideration for external hazards

- Natural disasters: earthquake, floods and site specific conditions
- Man-made hazards: aircraft crash, fire, etc.

## ❑ Post-Fukushima safety enhancement

- Installation of an Automatic Seismic Trip System
- Reinforcement of waterproof functions
- Reinforcing design basis of the emergency diesel generator and AAC
- Countermeasures to address loss of cooling in the spent fuel pool
- Installation of an external injection flow path for emergency cooling
- Securing mobile generator and batteries

## 3. Summary

- **APR1400: Safe, Reliable Technology**
- **ALWR Technology Development in Korea**




# APR1400, Safe and Reliable Technology

- ❑ **APR1400, Evolutionary ALWR**
  - Advanced design features for safety enhancement
  - Design features for severe accident mitigation
  - Enhanced economics via uprated power, longer design life, longer fuel cycle, performance improvement and enhanced constructability
  - 4 units currently under construction in Korea and another four units in the UAE
  
- ❑ **Proven technology minimizes technical and licensing uncertainties**
  - Proven by operation of reference technology
  - Proven by licensing approval
  - Proven by R&D programs
  
- ❑ **Technology development is continuously underway for further safety improvement.**



# ALWR Technology Development in Korea Clean Nuclear, Safety First!

## ALWR Technology Development with Safety Improvement

	OPR1000	APR1400	APR+	PPP
Reactor Model				Premier Power Reactor
First Commercial Operation	1995	2015	~ 2025	~
Size	1000 MWe	1400 MWe	1500 MWe	1000~1500 MWe
Design Life	40 yrs	60 yrs	60 yrs	80 yrs
CDF CFF	$< 1 \times 10^{-4}/\text{RY}$ $< 1 \times 10^{-5}/\text{RY}$	$< 1 \times 10^{-5}/\text{RY}$ $< 1 \times 10^{-6}/\text{RY}$	$< 1 \times 10^{-6}/\text{RY}$ $< 1 \times 10^{-7}/\text{RY}$	“Zero” Severe Accident
Main Safety Systems	Active	Active	Active + Passive	Fully Passive

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*Thank you!*