

# THE NUCLEAR RENAISSANCE

## Enormous Economic Opportunity for Utah



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PETERSEN INCORPORATED

Petersen, Inc., plays a crucial role in the global nuclear renaissance. We design, manufacture, and install high-tech, high-precision casks, drums, containers, and other products for the worldwide nuclear industry.

Our company, founded 50 years ago in Ogden, is one of Utah's top 100 privately held firms. As one of northern Utah's largest employers, we

provide some 400 excellent jobs that support families and build our communities. Our manufacturing, warehousing, and distribution operations occupy more than one million square feet. We serve customers throughout the world, but we bring the jobs and profits home to Utah. We're pleased to support numerous civic, educational, and community projects.

Our products and services allow the safe use, transport, and disposal of radioactive byproducts from construction activities, manufacturing processes, medical services, and clean energy production. Hundreds of everyday activities and

processes that enhance our quality of life produce radioactive byproducts. Working with government agencies and businesses, we help ensure the safe containment, transport, and disposal of these waste products.

We are proud of the work we do, the good jobs we provide, and the role our services and products play in cleaning up the environment, generating clean energy, and enhancing life quality.

Another Utah participant in our industry is *EnergySolutions*. Utahns should be pleased to have two key companies, Petersen, Inc. and *EnergySolutions*, providing high-tech, safe services and

products to the global nuclear industry. Together, we employ nearly 1,000 Utahns, and we generate hundreds of millions of dollars in economic activity, plus significant tax revenue for schools and government needs.

State policymakers and regulators should promote the enormous opportunity to make nuclear industry services a major profit center in our state.

The nuclear industry is safe, secure, and absolutely necessary. Utah should take advantage of the huge opportunities associated with this industry for jobs, tax dollars, and economic growth.