

Terrestrial Energy

- **Carbon-Free Energy for  
Global Industry**

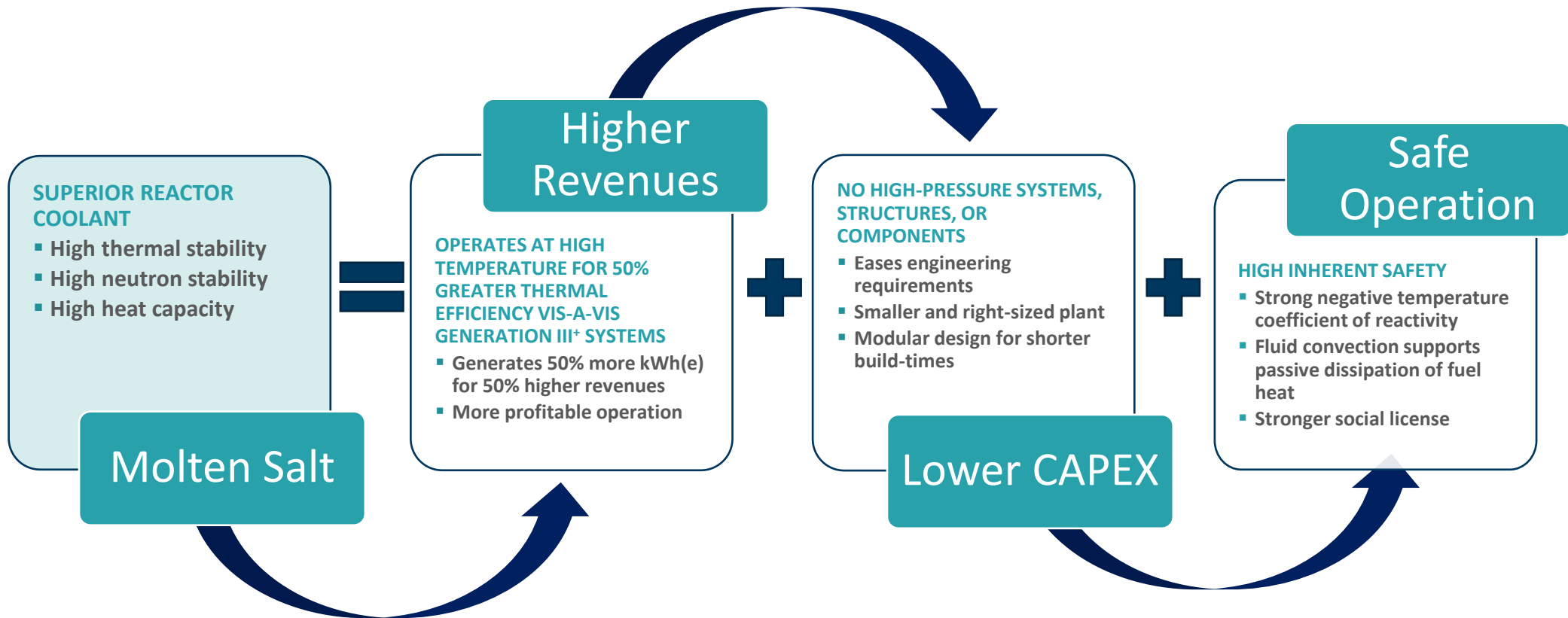
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# Technology and design choices drive economics and use-cases for nuclear energy

*Molten salt reactor technology permits safe high-temperature and low-pressure operation. This is essential for industrial cogeneration and economic performance*



*Fundamental technology advantages give clear potential to transform economics and use-case of nuclear energy in competitive energy markets*

# WHAT IS TERRESTRIAL ENERGY'S IMSR®?

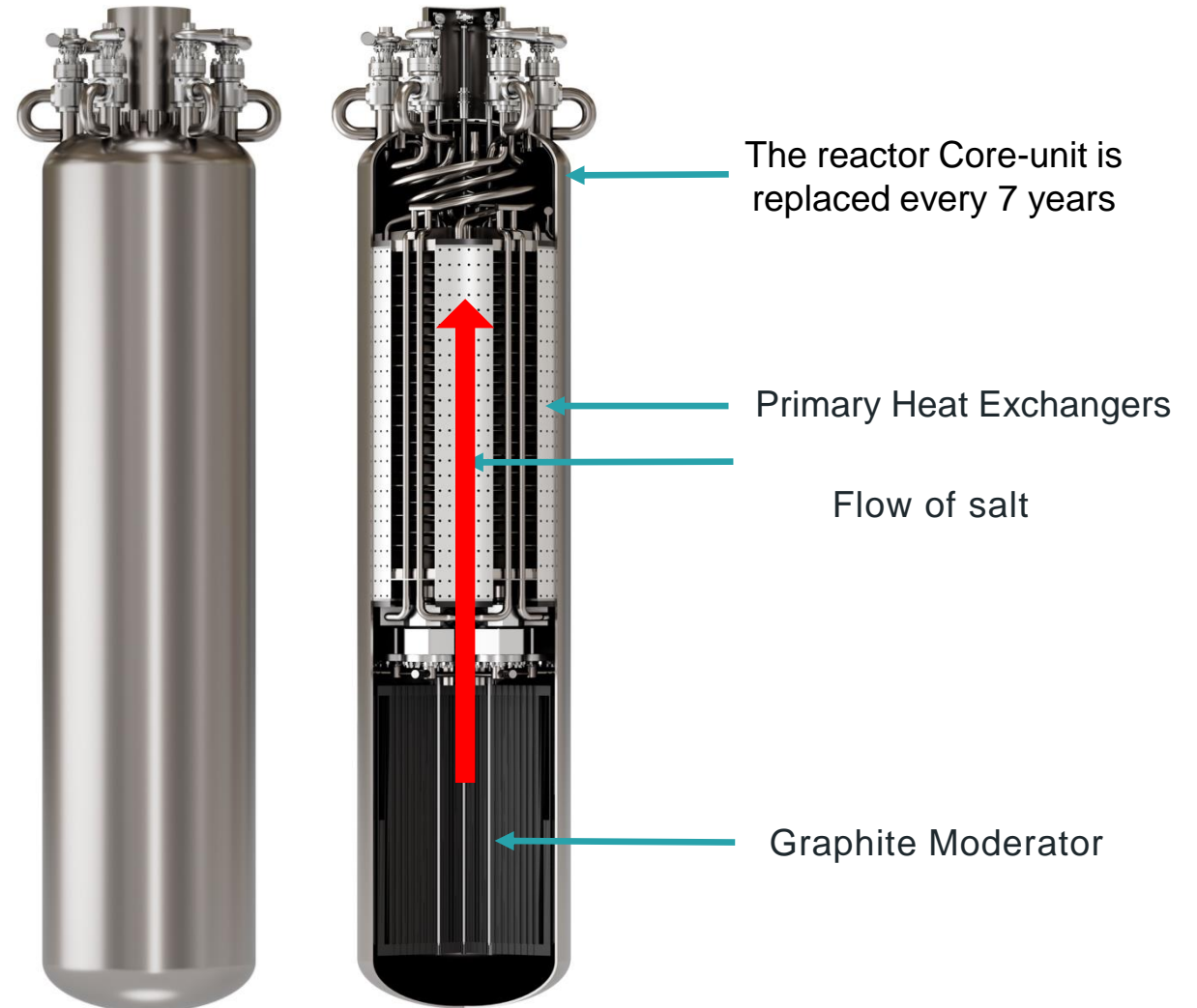
## *Integral Molten Salt Reactor*

- Graphite moderated converter, liquid fluoride salt fueled
- Standard Assay LEU fuel, ~2% LEU startup and <5% LEU makeup
- Integrates all primary systems into a sealed reactor vessel
- 7 year Core unit “Seal and Swap” approach to graphite lifetime
- 3.7 m wide Core-unit for eased transportability
- Simple carrier salt. Commercially available, low cost and very low tritium
- Passive decay heat removal *in situ* without dump tanks
- Safety at forefront which leads to cost innovation

# Key innovation – the sealed and replaceable IMSR Core-unit

- Key innovation is integration of primary reactor components
  - *Reactor core*
  - *Primary heat exchanger*
  - *Pumps*
- Into a sealed, compact and replaceable reactor vessel
  - *With a 7-year operating life*
- This “integral” design captures commercial value through
  - *High inherent safety*
  - *Operational simplicity*
  - *High capital efficiency*
- Patents pending and granted
  - *65 patents granted across 5 invention families*
  - *Portfolio of trade secrets*

IMSR® Core-unit and in cross-section



# Regulatory engagement

- Regulatory program started early and with CNSC's phased Vendor Design Review (VDR) process
- CNSC's VDR scope covers all aspects of IMSR Plant construction, operation and decommissioning
  - *Commenced VDR in early 2016 and completion expected early 2023*
- Commenced USNRC regulatory engagement in 2017
  - *Strategy is a 10CFR Part 52 Standard Design Approval of the IMSR Core-unit*
- Participated in a joint agency (CNSC/USNRC) collaborative regulatory review of IMSR
- Commenced International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) engagement in 2020
  - *IMSR security and safeguards underway with Canadian Nuclear Laboratories*



# Fuel Cycle Details

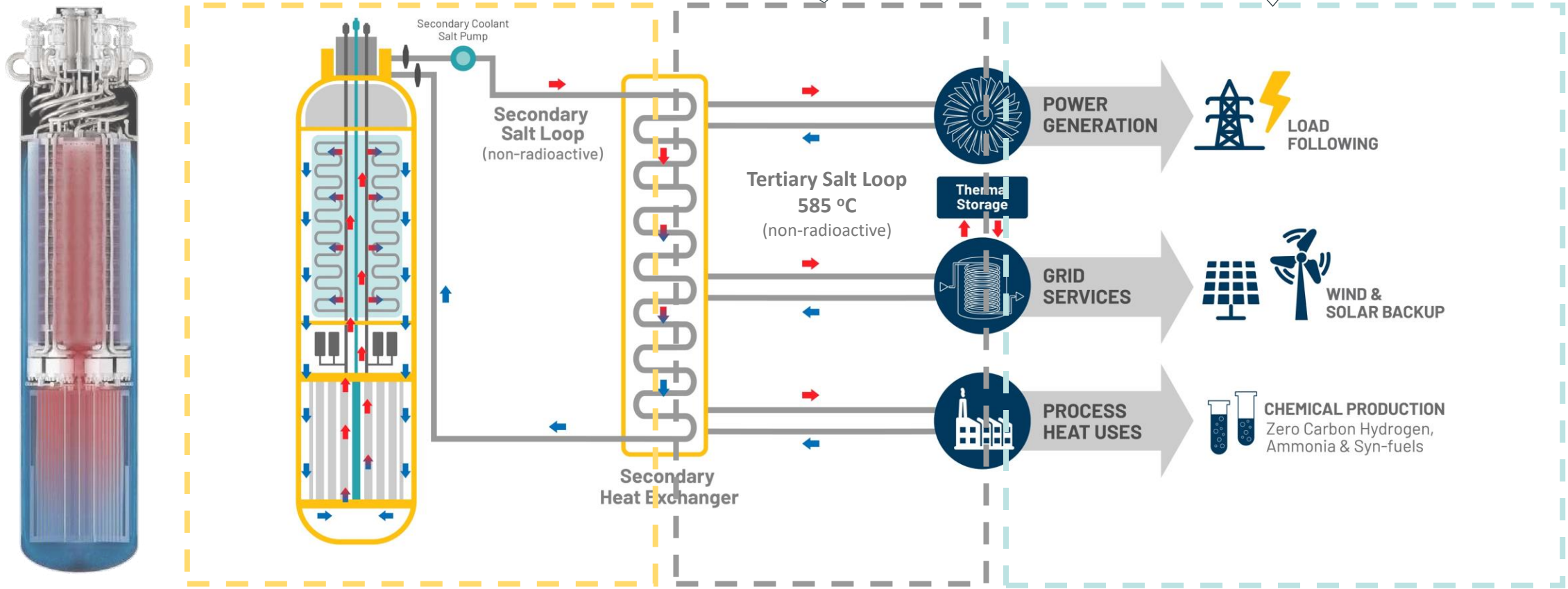
- Fuel salt production is relatively straight forward. UF<sub>6</sub> from enrichment plants is reduced to UF<sub>4</sub> and mixed with low cost carrier salts. Fuel qualification of liquid fuels is a lesser challenge as long term irradiations programs are not expected to be required due to their proven stability under irradiation
- IMSR runs on a **Modified** Once Through fuel cycle
  - *Initial Core-unit started with clean fuel salt with ~2% LEU*
  - *4.95% LEU Makeup Fuel salt added over 7 year life of first core unit*
  - *~50% increase in salt volume over 7 years as no online removal planned*
  - *To start all subsequent Core-units about 2/3<sup>rd</sup> of fuel salt transferred directly to new Core-unit and 1/3<sup>rd</sup> sent to a nearby used salt storage tank*
  - *Fission product concentration remains low for plant lifetime*
- Used salt in storage has potential for direct use as startup for fleet expansion
- Minimizes total used salt by end of plant life to ~100 m<sup>3</sup>
- Reduces Pu production to about 50% of LWR per kwh as high in-situ self consumption
- Fission product inventory reduced by about 1/3<sup>rd</sup> simply from higher thermal efficiency vs LWRs

# How an IMSR cogeneration plant works

**IMSR Nuclear Facility**  
Standardized and modular nuclear-grade systems

**IMSR Thermal and Electric Facility**  
Customized systems and modular industrial-grade (non-nuclear) systems supply thermal and electric power

**Industrial user**  
Site with thermal and electric power requirements



*IMSR Thermal and Electric Facility is customized to heat duties that are site and application specific*

# IMSR cogeneration

**585 °C**

IMSR generates the high-temperature heat essential for industrial cogeneration and net-zero

**822 MWt / 390 MWe**

Net IMSR Plant generating capacity

**< \$6 MMBTU**

Levelized cost of “in-furnace” thermal energy generated from IMSR operation

**~50%**

Increase in electric power generation efficiency compared to water-cooled-water-moderated (conventional) NPPs

**< \$50 per MWh**

IMSR Levelized cost of electric power generation

**< 5 grams CO<sub>2</sub>e**

Full life-cycle grams of CO<sub>2</sub>-equivalent per kilowatt-hour of electricity versus 825 for coal and 475 for natural gas

**< 7 hectares**

300 m x 200 m plant footprint delivers 390 MW of electric power

**< 5% enriched LEU**

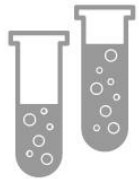
Standard nuclear fuel has higher international acceptance and is available today

*IMSR technology and plant design ideal for cogeneration and electric grid needs*



# Markets for IMSR cogeneration plants

## Industry



CHEMICALS



NATURAL RESOURCE EXTRACTION



PETRO-CHEMICALS



POWER

- Industrial users of cogen
  - IMSR offers a unique combination of high-efficiency electric power and 585 °C heat generation
  - *Chemical industry:*
    - Green-hydrogen production at scale and lowest cost
    - Green-ammonia, urea, fertilizers...
  - *Petrochemical industry*
    - Upgrading, refining, gas-to-liquids, synthetic transport fuels...
  - *Natural resource extraction*
  - *Steel refining*
- Electric power utility
  - *High-efficiency electric power generation*
    - Dispatchable, rapid load-following with “black start” capability for grid resilience
    - Re-powering coal power plants

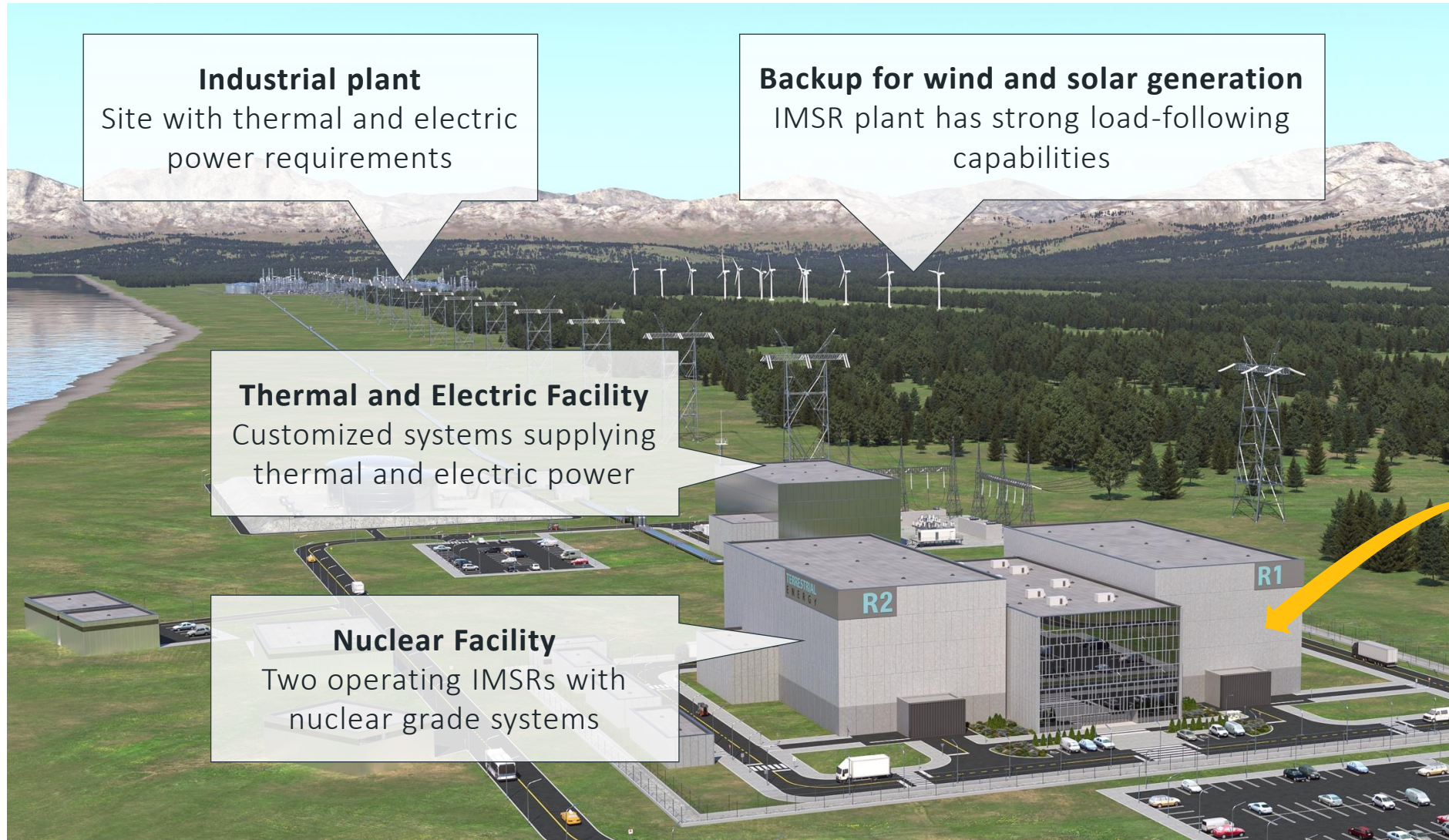
## Geography



- Focused on existing nuclear capable markets
  - *With clear nuclear policy support*
  - *With clear industrial policy support for green hydrogen and green ammonia production*
- IMSR Plant deployment ready in leading markets
- Deployment support by strong business case
  - *Many use-cases from “high-quality” thermal energy supply*
  - *Customization of Thermal and Electric Facility*
  - *Levelized cost of heat: less than \$6 / MMBTU*
  - *Superior thermal efficiency (~44% net)*
  - *Levelized cost of electricity: ~\$50/MWh*

**IMSR Plants enable many industries and nations to meet economic and net-zero goals**

# IMSR plant supplies high-temperature industrial heat and electric power



*Thermal and Electric Facility can be customized to the cogeneration requirements of an industrial plant*

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