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National Laboratories and Fission Surface Power (FSP)

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National Laboratory Roles

- Idaho National Laboratory (INL) and Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) roles in space reactor projects:
 - Provide contract administration (INL)
 - Perform technology maturation and facilitate technology transfer to industry (INL/LANL)
 - Support preliminary design option studies and requirements development (INL/INL)
 - Assist with high-assay low-enriched (HALEU) fuel availability
 - Provide technical oversight for reactor design and development.
 - Including ground-based prototype

Provide constructive support and guidance





Nuclear Thermal Propulsion

- Develop an NTP reactor and engine technologies capable of sending humans to Mars in the 2030's
- 3 \$5M Design Contracts started in 2020
 - BWX Technologies
 - General Atomics Electromagnetic Systems
 - Ultra Safe Nuclear Technologies

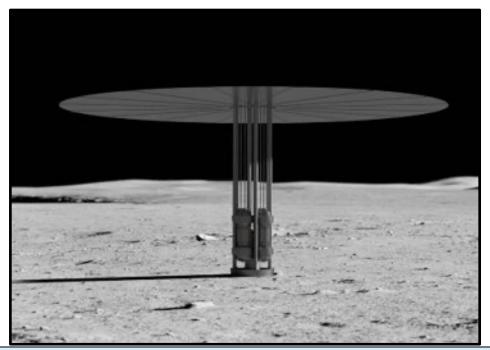


- Technology Maturation Efforts
 - Fabrication of high-temperature fuels (e.g., HALEU UN)
 - Irradiation Testing & PIE
 - TREAT irradiation test: Fall 2020,
 - H-cooled TREAT test FY2023
 - Modeling & Simulation, technical analysis



Fission Surface Power

- Provide 40kW_E for 10 years, ready for a lunar demonstration mission in late 2020's
- Phase 1 Design Effort: Three awards at \$5 million apiece
 - Teams selected:
 - |X
 - Westinghouse
 - Lockheed Martin
- Technology Maturation
 - Solid Moderator development
 - Radiation Hardened Instrumentation & Control



Key Deliverables

- System/subsystem requirements, drawings and interfaces
- Mass properties
- Technical readiness assessment
- Cost/schedule projection for Phase 2



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