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# PRESENTATION TO SOUTH CAROLINA NUCLEAR ADVISORY COUNCIL January 12, 2017

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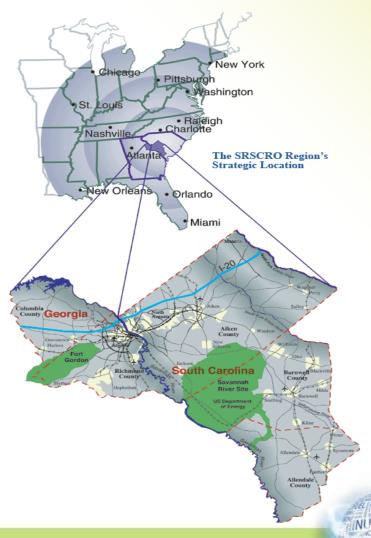






### **SRSCRO - A Regional Perspective**

- Board = 22 members (11 from each state)
- Five Counties, Two States
- Designated by DOE-SR as the CRO for SRS
- Private Non-Profit 501 (c) 3
- Funding Non-Federal Operating Dollars







#### **SRSCRO - Focus Areas**

- Economic Development
  - Asset Revitalization
- Workforce
  - Nuclear Workforce Initiative (NWI®)
- Community Voice
  - SRS
  - MOX







# Nuclear Workforce Needs Defined for SRSCRO Region

#### **Workforce Studies**

- 2009 Regional Nuclear Workforce Study –
   10,000 new nuclear workers over 10 years
- 2015 Regional Workforce Study 37,000 new workers needed over 5 years for nuclear, manufacturing, medical & cybersecurity sectors

Workforce Studies available at www.srscro.org





### **Nuclear Workforce Needs Are Real**

#### 2015 History

- Nuclear employers in the region hired 1030+
- Attrition totaled 773 (43% were retirement)

#### **Future Outlook**

- Estimated 3000+ new hires at SRS for next 5 years from just 2 major employers
- Local employers report long-term need for technicians & engineers





# Nuclear Workforce Needs Nationally

#### **Nuclear Power Industry**

 50% of nuclear energy industry workforce eligible to retire during next 10 years (www.NEl.org)

#### **U.S.** Department of Energy

Los Alamos National Lab estimates 2,500
job vacancies between now and 2020 (U.S.
News & World Report, June 2016)





### **SRSCRO** Regional Leadership Philosophy

We have an obligation to ensure that people of our region develop the skills needed for jobs in our region.









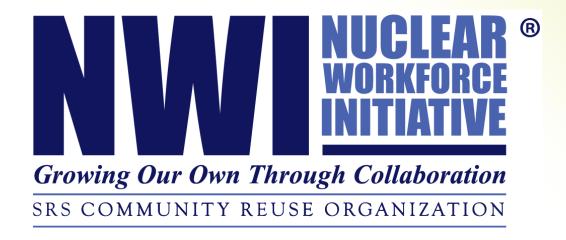


Growing Our Own Through Collaboration®









- Promoting Nuclear Career Pathways
- Aligning Education Partner Programs
- Advancing STEM Skills through Collaboration
- Connecting Regional Workforce Networks







# Nuclear Science Week October 17-21, 2016



- Education Days USC Aiken, Augusta University
- **Site Tours** SRS, Plant Vogtle, V.C. Summer
- STEM Career Connections Interactive Forum for Students/Teachers/STEM Employers
- Promotions and Posters in 8 school districts

www.nwinitiative.org





### **Nuclear Science Week Impact**

EVENT	2013	2014	2015	2016	TOTAL
Education Days – RPSEC @ USC Aiken	330	120	346	575	1,371
Education Days – Augusta University	65	70	80	95	310
Education Days – USC Salkehatchie	45	N/A	N/A	N/A	45
Education Days – TCM	N/A	N/A	150	N/A	150
SRS Student*/Teacher Tours	46*	40	31	29	146
Teacher Workshop	31	30	30	N/A	91
Plant Vogtle Student Tours	80	140	175	270	665
VC Summer Student Tours	67	83	85	200	435
STEM Career Connections (students & teachers)	200	220	250	340	1,010
CNTA Edward Teller Lecture	305	300	308	250	1,163
2013 "Big Event" Misc Activities	409	N/A	N/A	N/A	409
TOTALS	1,578	1,003	1,455	1,759	5,795





# **Teacher Workshop Involvement**

- Bringing Nuclear into the Classroom (CNTA Sponsored)
- Southeastern Summer Nuclear Institute (CNTA Sponsored)
- Teaching Radiation, Energy and Technology (TREAT – DOE Sponsored)







# Post-Secondary Education Partners Supporting Local Workforce Needs

- Aiken Technical College (SC)
- Augusta Technical College (GA)
- Augusta University (GA)
- University of South Carolina Aiken (SC)
- University of South Carolina Salkehatchie (SC)

















# Collaboration to Advance Nuclear Skills Regionally \$4.8 M DOE Grant – Five Years

Aiken Technical College	Nuclear Quality System (NQS) Associate Degree Advanced Nuclear Welding
Augusta Technical College	Chemical Technology Associate Degree Nuclear Career Advisement Program
Augusta University	Nuclear Science Tracks in Chemistry and Physics Degree Programs
University of SC Aiken	Environmental Remediation and Restoration Specialized Biology Degree
University of SC Salkehatchie	Expansion of STEM Coursework for Region
SRSCRO	Promotion of Regional Nuclear Science Programs, Grant Management





# **ANSR Program Metrics**

- College Student Enrollment 600
- ANSR Graduates (as of 5/2016) 195
- ANSR Job Placement (as of 5/2016) 168 (86%)
- STEM Program Impact 4034







# **Next Step**

Expand nuclear workforce development that supports Department of Energy Environmental Management (DOE-EM) and National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) long-term needs, with particular focus on Savannah River Site (SRS) missions.











# **WORC**

#### **Workforce Opportunities in Regional Careers**

#### **Components**

- 5 College & University Partners in 2 states
- SRSCRO Program Management/Fiscal Agent
- 16 relevant degree programs (2 & 4 year)
- Scholarships
- Student Retention Strategies
- Program Marketing & Recruitment
- Pipeline Programs

#### **Funding**

\$5M over 5 Years from DOE-EM & NNSA





# **WORC**

#### **Funded by WORC Grant**

148

**Annually** 

Scholarships • 2-Year Programs

4-Year Programs

Student Retention Strategies

- Instructional Support
- Tracking

College **Program** Marketing & Recruitment

- High Schools
- · Adults pursuing new career path

**Pipeline** 

- Rural STEM Program
- Regional Outreach Activities

More than 16 DOE-EM/NNSA/Contractor **Relevant Degree Programs** 

- · Aiken Technical College
- Augusta Technical College
- Augusta University
- University of South Carolina Aiken
- University of South Carolina Salkehatchie

10 to 25 **SRS Work Positions** Annually

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**SRS Employer** Supported Internships, Apprenticeships, **Limited Service** Employees, etc.

**SRS Careers** 

**Programs** 

















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