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# Development of science and technology support of NPP operation

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#### **Mission**



Provision of a broad range of science and technology support services to Rosenergoatom and nuclear power plants at all life stages of NPPs:

☐ development of requirements for new designs, verification of designs

☐ operation, maintenance and repair, upgrading and life extension of existing NPPs

decommissioning, including radwaste reprocessing technologies

Decommissioning

Design

Construction

Commissioning

Operation

While continuously improving technologies of management of research, science and technology information, knowledge, and advancing skills of the personnel

#### **VNIIAES**

#### today



Research, design and engineering organization in the nuclear power which deals with:



Problems of NPP operation and scientific and technical support aimed at enhancement of reliability, safety and economics of NPP power units

Scientific supervisor of NPP operation



Development of NPP control systems, software&hardware complexes, IT-technologies

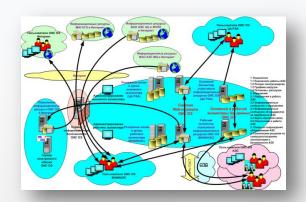
Chief designer of APCS for VVERs



Development of technical requirements for, concepts of new NPPs with VVER reactors; their peer review, virtual models of NPPs

Architect engineer of VVER-TOI design





- Collection, systematization, treatment, accumulation, analysis and use of operating experience of Russian NPPs
- Establishment and keeping a set of industrywide databases on NPP performance indicators, operating events and deviations, failures and damages of NPP equipment, engineering solutions for enhancement of operation and safety of NPPs



 Scientific & technical support of NPP operation in the area of water chemistry of plant circuits and operation of associated supporting systems





 Scientific supervision over startup of NPPs in Russia



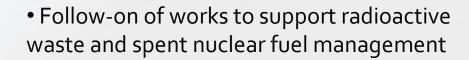
Follow-on of operation of NPPs with VVERs



• Follow-on of operation of NPPs with RBMKs









 Refining of the concept, improvement of designs and revision of the approach to NPP decommissioning management



• Follow-on of works to support radiation safety, environmental management and labor protection at NPPs



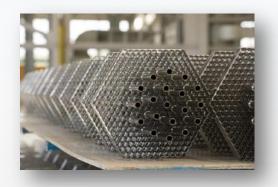


 Scientific & technical support of Maintenance and Repair of NPPs



- Enhancement of process engineering and labor in nuclear power
- Economic follow-on of operation, risk assessment for changes





• Improvement of nuclear fuel consumption efficiency



• Mathematic modeling of processes and plant as a whole





 Refining of the regulatory basis, databases of technical conditions, operating conditions and service life management of NPP power unit components aiming at life extension



• Follow-on of operation of NPP electrical equipment



• Ensuring reliability of human factor and training of the personnel











#### Design, development and supply of simulators:

- full-scale
- analytical
- simulators of equipment and systems of existing and being constructed NPPs





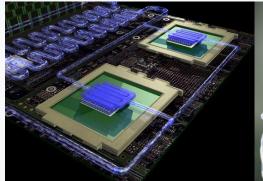






Design, development and supply of up-to-date APCS complexes for NPPs









## Development of the design improvement concepts:

- Operation
- •M&R (including diagnostics systems)
- •NPP controls
- Construction within 40 months.
- •Environmental safety (including radwaste and SNF management)
- Use of heat storage systems

Economic modeling, calculations, cost assessment

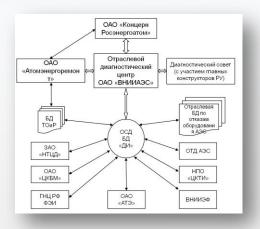
#### Development of the project management improvement concept

- Creation of the Common Information Space
- Management of engineering data

## Design verification using mathematical models

- Correction of design errors
- Check of conformance to Customer's and Terms of Reference requirements





 Commissioning of a component of Industry Diagnostics System at Kalinin NPP



- Implementation of the condition-based maintenance approach
- Revision of Tecspecs





Formation and justification of new approaches to management of changes



 Performance of calculations and justifications related to outsourcing of M&R personnel of NPPs





• Development of a methodological approach to assessment of operations economics and production cost price



- Within the RPS, the "Labor Institute" competences are being developed (norms, standards, etc.)
- Standard plant reserves of materials and equipment are being optimized





- Improvement of the NPP personnel training programs (including overseas)
- Organization and conduct of training (retraining) of NPP management
- Capability of a Safety Culture course delivering on a regular basis
- Advancement of skills of VNIIAES personnel (including competences development – foreign languages, project management etc.)



• Formulation of requirements to a NPP life cycle management concept



**Application of international experience** 

