



# **HI-STORE: A Holtec/ELEA Consolidated Interim Storage Facility for Used Nuclear Fuel and HLW**

*February 1, 2017*



# Agenda

- Purpose of the Meeting
- Brief Project Overview
- Project Schedule
- Site Layout
- Site Specific Application
- Site Specific SAR
- Conclusions
- Proprietary Session

# Purpose of the Meeting

- To provide an overview of the HI-STORE site-specific SAR in preparation for the NRC pre-submittal audit

# Project Overview - Partnership

- Partnership between Holtec and ELEA (Eddy-Lea Energy Alliance) to license, construct and operate a central interim storage facility
- ELEA is an Alliance of the Cities of Carlsbad & Hobbs and the Counties of Eddy & Lea



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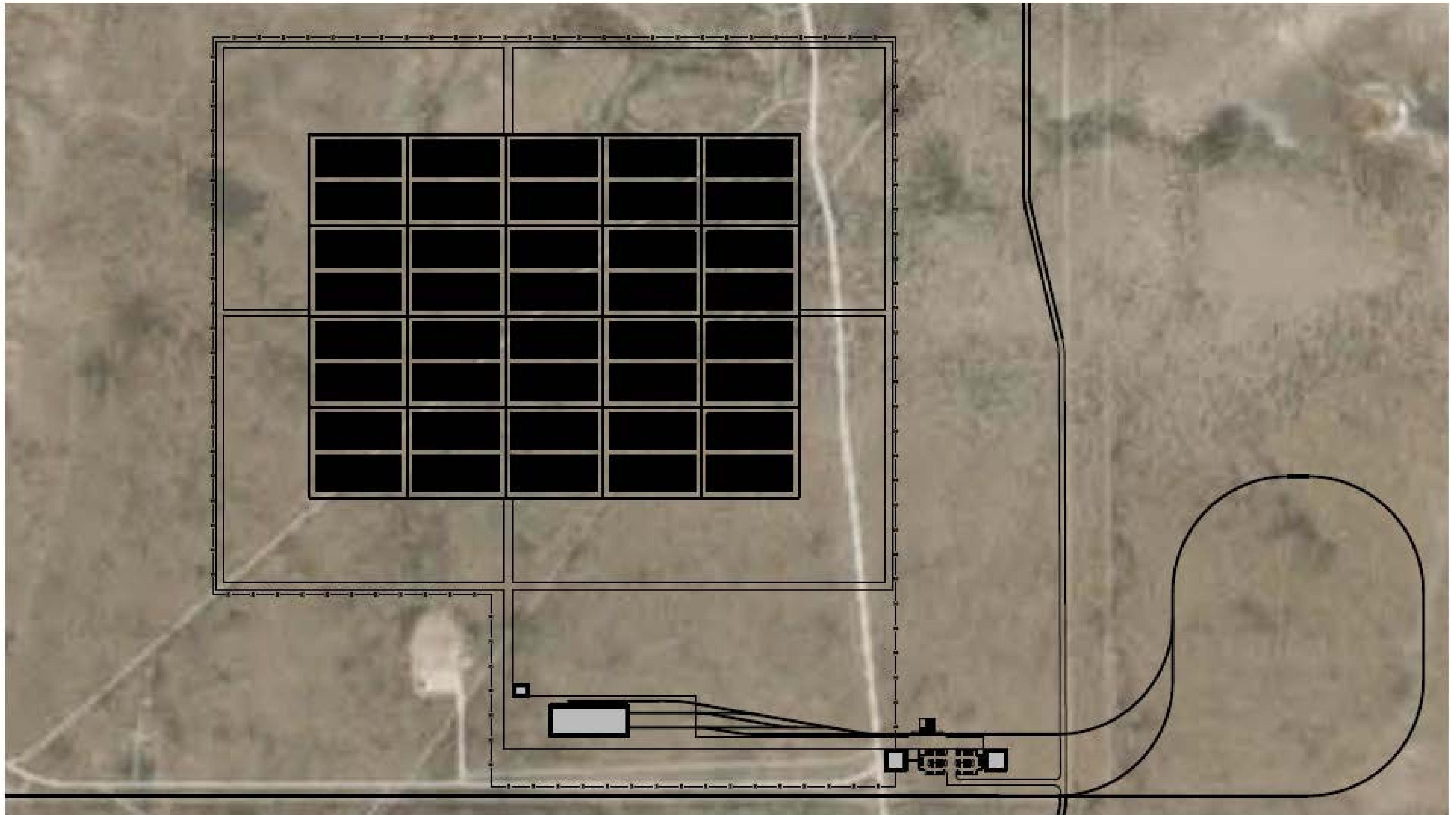
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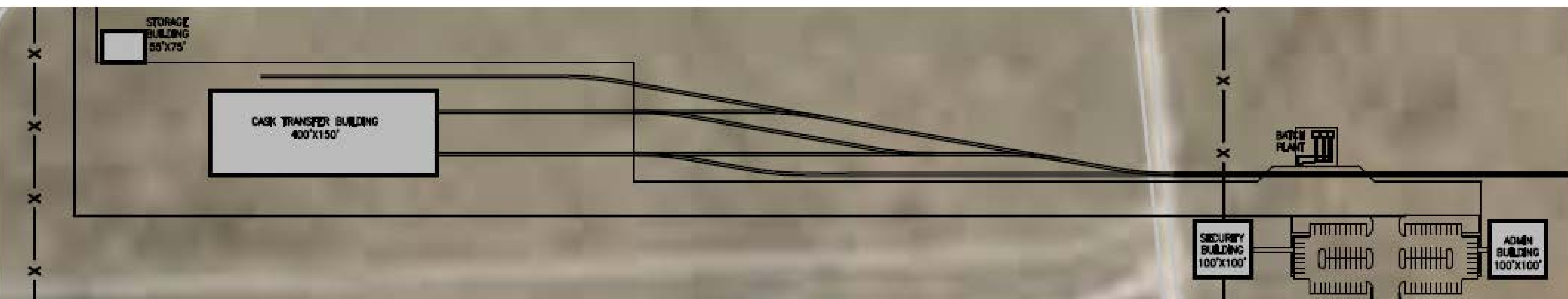
# Project Schedule

- HI-STORE Initial Pre-submittal Meeting – December 2015
- HI-STORE Pre-submittal Meeting on UMAX License Amendment – April 2016
- UMAX Generic License Submittal – August 2016
- HI-STORE Pre-submittal Meeting on ER – December 2016
- HI-STORE Pre-submittal Meeting on SAR – Today
- HI-STORE Pre-application Audit – February 2017
- HI-STORE Site-specific license submittal – March 2017

# Site Layout



# Building Layout





# Two Part Approach to Licensing

- Amend HI-STORM UMAX Certificate:
  - ✓ Add additional Holtec canisters
  - ✓ Add canisters from shutdown / decommissioned plants
    - Priority Waste
  - ✓ Future: Update General License for all canisters projected to store SNF
- License HI-STORE under a 10 CFR 72 site-specific license

# Site Specific License Application

- March 2017: Application for HI-STORE under a 10 CFR 72 site-specific license
  - ✓ Initial application - 500 canisters
  - ✓ Future amendments for additional canisters up to 10,000
  - ✓ Reference the amended HI-STORM UMAX Certificate and FSAR for technical details
- Part 72 Site Specific License Contents
  - ✓ General / Financial Information about Holtec
  - ✓ Technical Information – Safety Analysis Report (SAR)
  - ✓ Site Environmental Report
  - ✓ QA and Training Programs
  - ✓ Security and Emergency Plans
  - ✓ Inventory and Records Requirements
  - ✓ Decommissioning Plan

# Use of HI-STORM UMAX General License

- Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR)
  - ✓ Generic HI-STORM UMAX FSAR already contains all the overall system information
  - ✓ Holtec will obtain amendment to generic CoC to include additional canisters, both Holtec fabricated and other systems
  - ✓ This generic CoC and associated supporting FSAR will be incorporated into the site-specific 10CFR72 license
  - ✓ This is consistent with the approach at PFS
- Initial application only include fully approved canisters (up to HI-STORM UMAX Amendment 2) – MPC-37 and MPC-89

# Site Specific SAR

- Following NUREG-1567
- Including lessons learned from PFS and other consolidated storage applications
- Storage system information will be fully incorporated from HI-STORM UMAX generic license
  - ✓ Exception is HI-TRAC design
  - ✓ Tech Spec Information – incorporated by reference vs repeated in site-specific tech specs

# Chapter 1

- Introduction
- Description of both site and storage system
- Material Incorporated by Reference
  - ✓ High level list of references in Chapter 1
  - ✓ Each chapter will identify specific material incorporated by reference used in that chapter – all from HI-STORM UMAX generic FSAR

# Chapter 2

- Site Characteristics – Based significantly on the ER, by TetraTech
- Geography, Demography, Nearby Facilities, Meteorology
- Surface and Subsurface Hydrology
- Geology and Seismology

# Chapter 3

- Operation Description - starting at removal from transportation casks – further discussion in proprietary session
- Spent Fuel Handling Systems
- Operational Support Systems
- No pool facility or control room area

# Chapter 4

- Definition of materials to be stored
  - ✓ Matching HI-STORM UMAX Amendment 2
  - ✓ Any further limits due to site specific conditions
- ITS Classifications
- Design Criteria
  - ✓ Structural
  - ✓ Thermal
  - ✓ Shielding
  - ✓ Confinement
  - ✓ Criticality
  - ✓ Decommissioning
  - ✓ Retrieval



# Chapter 5

- Structural Design of SSCs
  - ✓ Most using reference from HI-STORM UMAX
  - ✓ Additional analyses as needed for site-specific scenarios, for example: stack-up and CTF
- No pool facilities
- Cask Transfer Building is not a reinforced concrete structure
- Other SSCs such as cranes or transporter – design criteria provided

# Chapter 6

- Thermal Evaluation
- Decay Heat Removal Systems – mostly incorporated by reference from HI-STORM UMAX generic licensing documents
- Material Temperature Limits
- Thermal Loads and Environmental Conditions – based on site specific conditions
- Analytical Methods, Models, and Calculations – mostly incorporated by reference from existing HI-STORM UMAX
  - ✓ HI-STORM UMAX information incorporated by reference
  - ✓ New HI-TRAC design included in site-specific license (further information in proprietary session)

# Chapter 7

- Shielding Evaluation
- Contained Radiation Gamma/Neutron Sources
- Storage and Transfer Systems
  - ✓ Storage information incorporated by reference from HI-STORM UMAX
  - ✓ New HI-TRAC design evaluated in site-specific SAR
- Shielding Composition and Details
- Analysis of Shielding Effectiveness

# Chapter 8 and 9

## ■ Chapter 8

- ✓ Criticality Evaluation
- ✓ Fully incorporated by reference from HI-STORM UMAX generic license

## ■ Chapter 9

- ✓ Confinement Evaluation
- ✓ Radionuclide Confinement Analysis incorporated by reference from HI-STORM UMAX
- ✓ No pool facility
- ✓ Acceptance Test / Aging Management for continued confinement discussed in Chapter 10

# Chapter 10

- Conduct of Operations
- Organizational Structure
- Preoperational Testing and Startup
- Normal Operations
  - ✓ Include acceptance tests for transported canisters
  - ✓ Include aging management information for canisters
- Personnel Selection, Training, Certification
- Emergency Planning – reference to separate Emergency Plan document
- Physical Security and Safeguards Contingency Plans – reference to separate document

# Chapter 11

- Radiation Protection
- ALARA Considerations
- Radiation Protection Design Features
- Dose Assessment
  - ✓ Onsite
  - ✓ Offsite
- Health Physics Program

# Chapters 12 and 13

## ■ Chapter 12 - Quality Assurance Evaluation

- ✓ Holtec has NRC approved QA program
- ✓ High-level description in the site-specific SAR

## ■ Chapter 13 – Decommissioning Evaluation

- ✓ Design and Operational Features
- ✓ Decommissioning Plan – reference to separate document

# Chapter 14

- Waste Confinement and Management
- No off-gas treatment or liquid waste
- Solid wastes not generated from HI-STORE processing
- Evaluate radiological impact of normal operations



# Chapter 15

- Accident Analysis
- Off-Normal Events – incorporated by reference from HI-STORM UMAX FSAR
- Accidents
  - ✓ Incorporated by reference from HI-STORM UMAX FSAR, existing analyses bound the site specific conditions (tornado, earthquake, etc)
  - ✓ Additional site-specific accidents such as building collapse evaluated in site-specific SAR

# Chapter 16

- Technical Specifications
  - ✓ Limiting Conditions of Operations
  - ✓ Surveillance Requirements
  - ✓ Design Features
  - ✓ Administrative Controls
- Incorporation by reference vs stand-alone site-specific tech specs
- No canister loading at HI-STORE, minimal LCOs

# Conclusions

- HI-STORE Licensing effort well underway:
  - ✓ HI-STORM UMAX Certificate update – Completed August 2016
  - ✓ Site Specific License – March 2017
- SAR following NUREG-1567
- Pre-application audit mid-February