

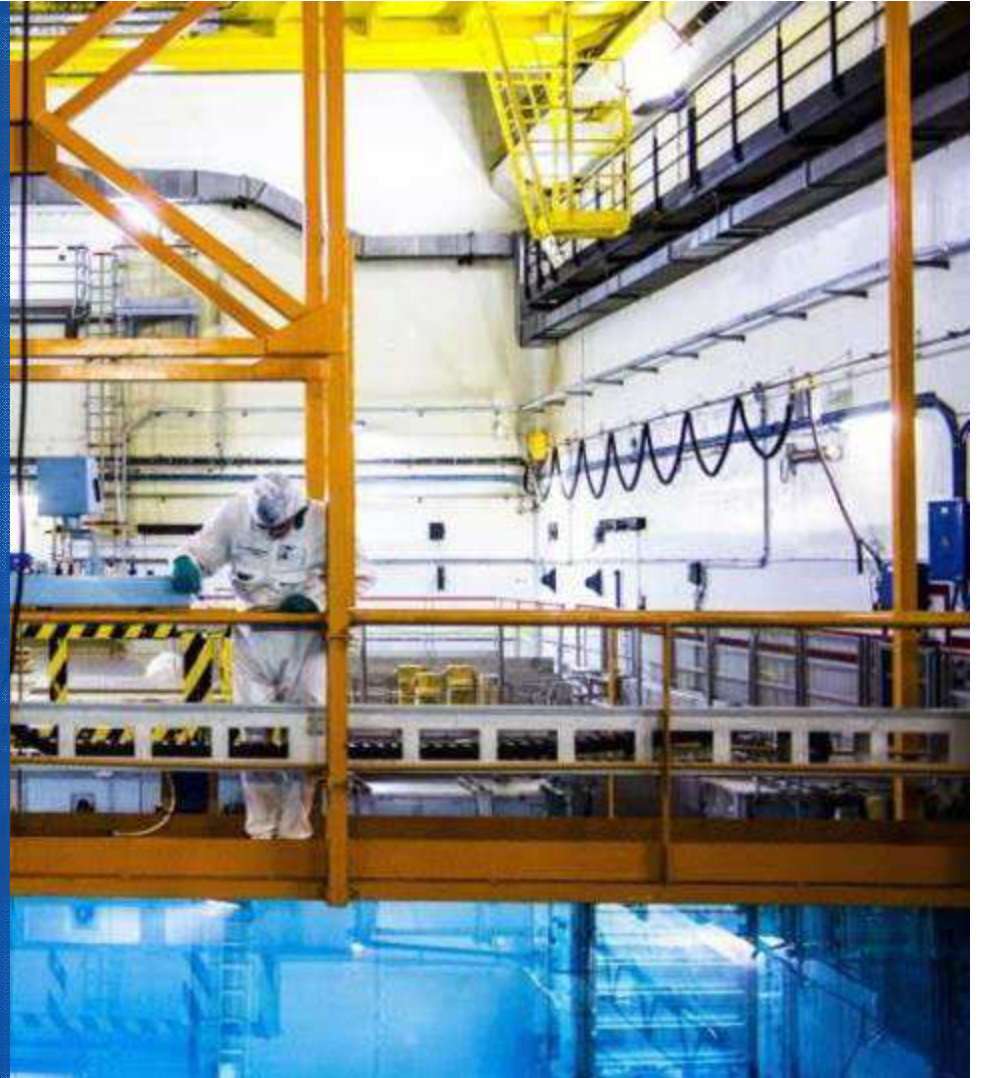
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Worldwide Advances in Equipment Qualification

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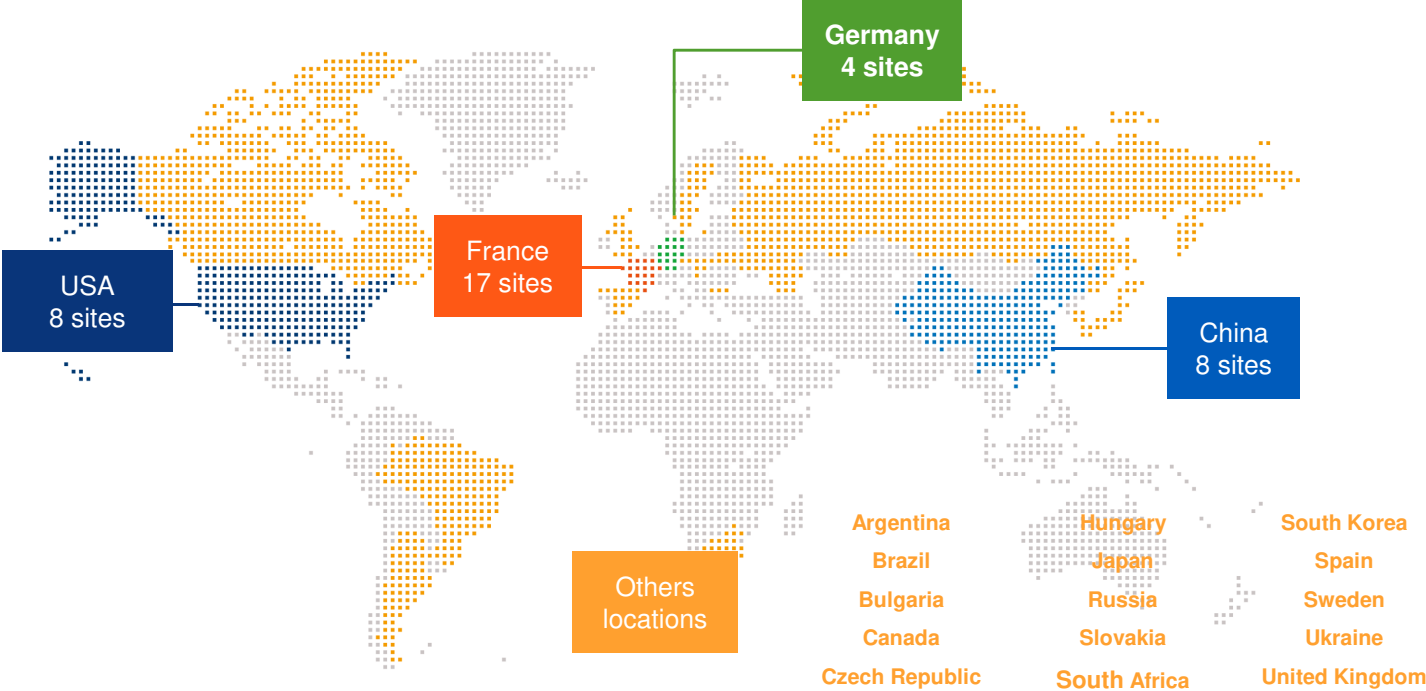


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For 60 years, Framatome's teams have been involved in developing safe and competitive nuclear power worldwide by:

- designing nuclear power plants
 - supplying nuclear steam supply systems
 - designing and manufacturing components and fuel assemblies
 - integrating automation systems
 - and servicing all types of nuclear reactors
- **Original Equipment Manufacturer of 92 nuclear power plants**
- **14,000 employees serving more than 380 reactors worldwide**

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14 000 employees working on more than 250 reactors worldwide
at 53 locations in 20 countries

State of the Market

North America

- ~60% of U.S. nuclear fleet expected to apply for Second License Renewal (SLR), major refurbishments in Canada
- Small Modular Reactor (SMR) and advanced reactor technology potential

Globally

- Mixed bag of contraction and growth

Technology & Initiatives

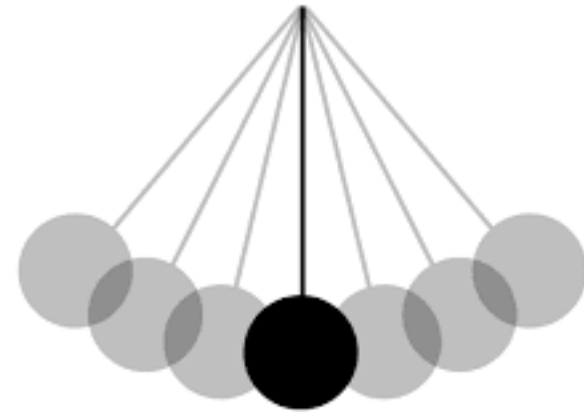
- 50.69 impact on installed base
- Accident Tolerant Fuel
- Passive safety systems in new designs

 ***Commercial Grade Dedication (CGD) & Equipment Qualification (EQ) programs will still be critical going forward***

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“State of the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM)”



“Reasonable Assurance Pendulum”

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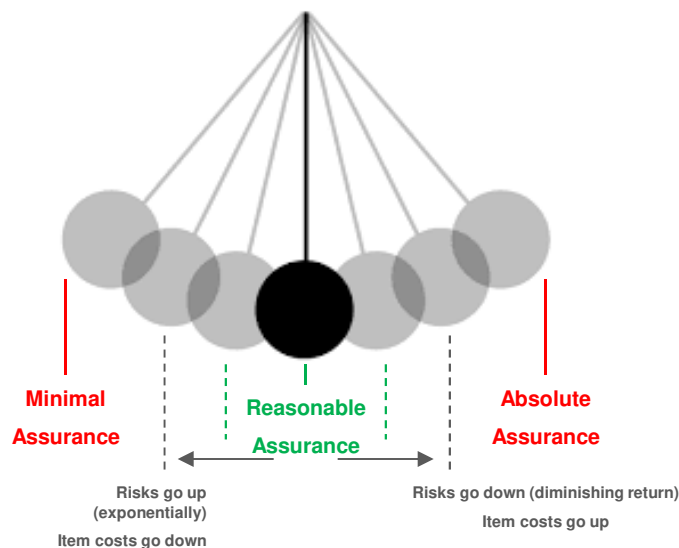
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The “State of the OEM”

- History of the OEM – quality program changes, M&As, technological advances, and obsolete parts
- Difficulty in getting and meeting acceptance criteria due to deviation of designs over time
- Challenges with design information and Intellectual Property access
- Difficulty and increased effort and cost of maintaining original EQ during the CGD acceptance process

➤ **CGD is increasingly important and challenging with today’s “State of the OEM”**

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➤ The “Reasonable Assurance” pendulum

➤ Key drivers:

- ▶ Terminology, training, knowledge, experience gaps
- ▶ Regulations, regulatory involvement and positions

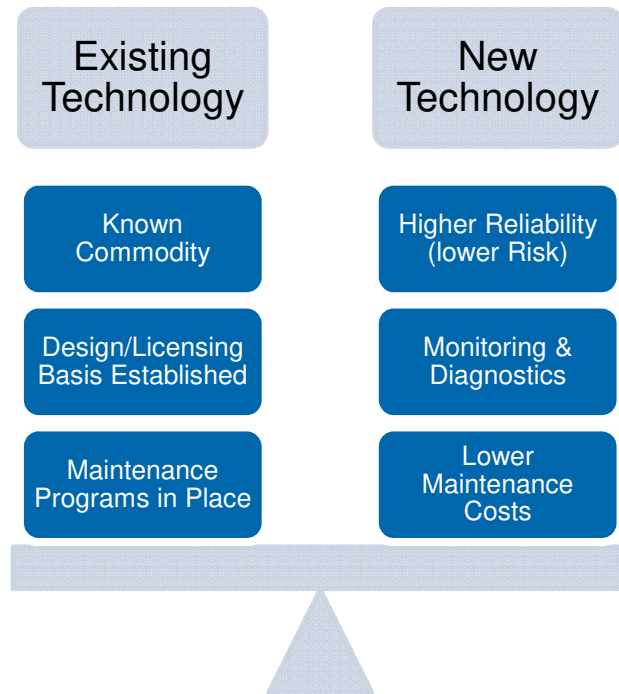
➤ Key focus areas related to terminology, training, knowledge, and experience gaps:

- ▶ Dedication (CGD) vs. Qualification (EQ)
- ▶ Like-for-Like vs. Alternative Replacements
- ▶ Maintaining EQ during CGD



Optimize operational risks and costs through global standardization of CGD terms, definitions, and training.

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WHAT'S THE COST OF NOT CHANGING?

➤ Existing Technology:

- ▶ CGD/EQ becoming increasingly difficult on dated technology
- ▶ Reliability declining, cost of managing the asset increasing

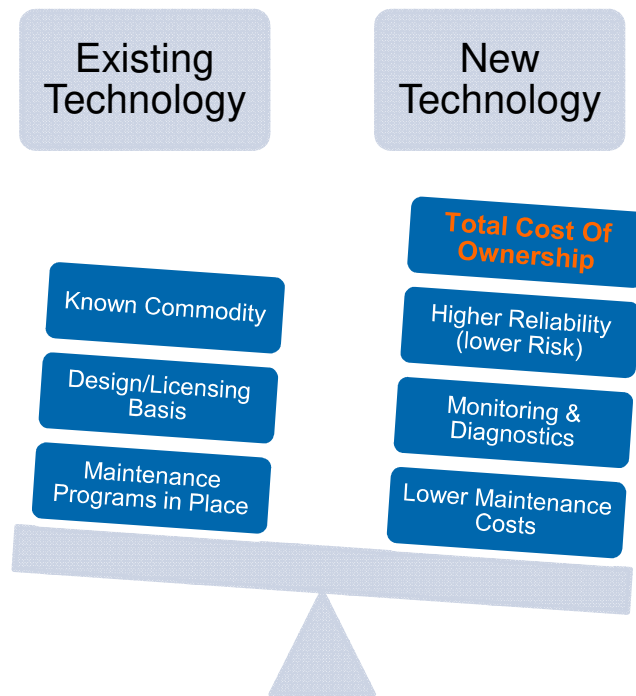
➤ New Technology:

- ▶ Design advancements generally increase reliability and lower lifecycle costs
- ▶ Digital technology providing opportunity for Monitoring & Diagnostics
- ▶ Rest of general Industry progressing more rapidly (knowledge/resource issue)



There is a tipping point to answer the question, but in order to answer must consider...

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Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) – does it tip the scale?

- Like-For-Like replacements becoming more challenging and costly to CGD and maintain EQ
- Total Cost of Ownership (\$'s) includes:
 - ▶ Parts, Training, Maintenance costs
 - ▶ Engineering Costs – CGD, equivalencies, etc.
 - ▶ Failure/non-quality costs
- Cost not just dollars, must also consider:
 - ▶ Risk/Equipment Reliability
 - ▶ Personnel & Plant Safety
 - ▶ Knowledge Management
 - ▶ Long-term support – parts, design

➤ **Must emphasize TCO approach to better align our state of technology with the future of our market**

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Total Cost of Ownership Example

Electro-Mechanical to Numerical (Digital) Relays

Electro-Mechanical Relays:

- Dated Technology
- Obsolescence increasing
- Reliability Decreasing
- Expertise disappearing
- Repair/Refurb costs increasing

Numerical (Digital) Relays:

- Not new technology to general industry
- Simplifies design/footprint
- Reliability Increasing
- Monitoring & Diagnostic ability
- No or little maintenance

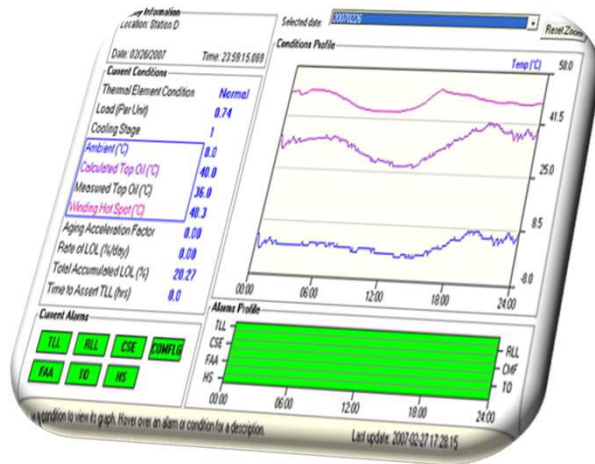
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Use cost-effective, data-driven maintenance schedules to drive Asset Management approach:

- Increase asset life
- Make informed decisions
- Maximize engineering resources



Conclusion

- **CGD/EQ will be more critical than ever for the industry going forward given market evolution and the “state of the OEM”**
- **Rate of technology advancement must drive consideration of asset management and total cost of ownership approach**
- **Importance of standardization of regulatory and industry guidance to appropriately achieve reasonable assurance**