





### **Palisades and Big Rock Point**

NRC License Transfer Application Pre-Submittal Meeting

08 December 2020





### **Palisades Status**

- Current staffing level: ~610 utility and security employees
- Last refueling completed October 2020
- Permanently cease operations by May 31, 2022
- Anticipate permanently defueling reactor within 30 days post-shutdown
- Entergy expects to select approximately 260 Decommissioning Organization employees from incumbent staff and transition prior to transaction closing
- Ongoing commitment to open and transparent communications with:
  - State of Michigan
  - Local stakeholders
  - Employees





### **Big Rock Point ISFSI Status**

- Permanently shut down in 1997 under previous ownership
- All spent fuel was transferred to Independent Spent Fuel Storage
  Installation (ISFSI) in 2003 (7 spent fuel and 1 Greater than Class C)
- Licensed portion of site consists of ~30 acres on which ISFSI resides and a
  ~75 acre non-impacted parcel adjacent to ISFSI
- Current staffing level: ~20 staff members







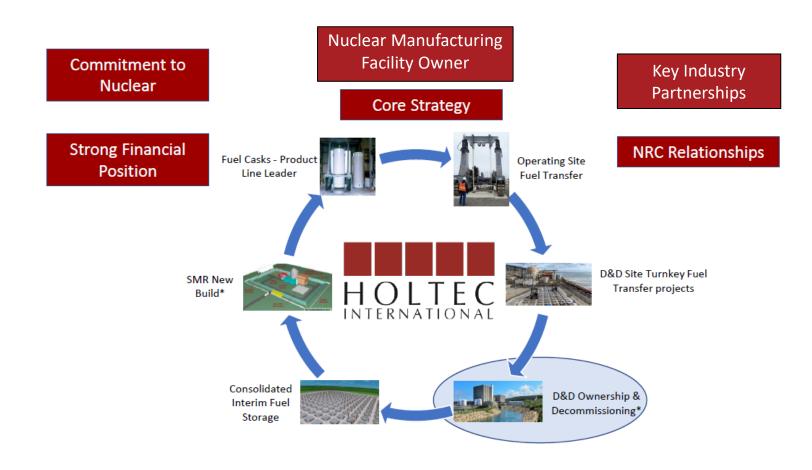
### **Transaction Overview**

- Membership Interest Purchase and Sale Agreement executed for the sale of the subsidiary that owns Palisades and Big Rock Point to Holtec subsidiary Nuclear Asset Management Company, LLC
  - Post-sale, the subsidiary will be renamed Holtec Palisades, LLC (Holtec Palisades)
  - Holtec Decommissioning International, LLC (HDI) will become licensed operator
    - HDI will contract with Comprehensive Decommissioning International, LLC (CDI) to serve as the Decommissioning General Contractor
- Holtec Palisades will own:
  - Palisades and Big Rock Point sites, including associated assets (primarily the Palisades Nuclear Decommissioning Trust (NDT)) and liabilities (primarily the decommissioning obligation)
  - Title to spent nuclear fuel and DOE Standard Contract
- Palisades on-site Decommissioning Organization employees at the time of transaction closing will be offered positions with CDI (a few will transition to HDI)
- Big Rock Point on-site employees at the time of transaction closing will be offered positions with CDI or HDI
- Transaction closing dependent upon several conditions, including NRC license transfer approval and docketing of certifications of permanent cessation of operations and permanent removal of fuel from the reactor





## **Holtec Nuclear Stewardship**



Investing in Nuclear is an integral part of Holtec's long-term strategy



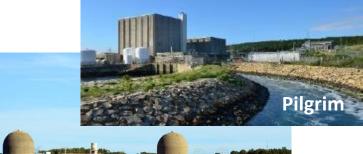


### Holtec Decommissioning Fleet

- Implement & advance industry decommissioning
- Focused on safety, quality & compliance
- Fleet-based approach
- Qualified and experienced personnel
- Procedures & processes
- ■By accelerating movement of spent fuel into dry cask storage and deploying state-of-the-art technologies, Holtec is well-equipped to decommission nuclear plants decades sooner than if utility owned

Note: Indian Point and Palisades expected to close transaction in 2021 and 2022, respectively







**Indian Point** 





## **Holtec Financial Strength**

- Operating profit in every fiscal year in its decades of operation.
- No long-term debt; the Company has had *no long-term debt in its entire corporate history* despite making major capital investments such as building a 52-acre Technology Campus for 310+ million dollars in Camden NJ, completed in 2017.
- Continued advancement of applied R&D, which the company expenses every year, is entirely funded from the operating budget and detracts from the EBIDTA.
- Despite the voluntary R&D activities, the balance sheet has remained strong with over half a billion dollars in assets and 9-digit annual EBIDTA.
- Large base of clients over 100; no client accounts for more than 10% of the company's sales. Clients are mainly multi-billion dollar publicly held enterprises.

Holtec's stability is underpinned by its portfolio of old and new product lines which are aligned to provide a continuous spectrum of growth and rising profitability founded on a solid bedrock of long-term stability.





### **Holtec Team**

- Spent fuel management and nuclear services
- Spent fuel cask/storage vendor

Provide resources and oversight to support the Safe, compliant operation of the acquired sites



• Licensed operator for all decommissioning sites in the Holtec fleet, including Oyster Creek and Pilgrim

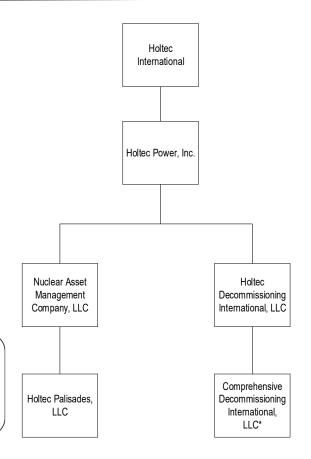


Wholly-owned Holtec subsidiary

- Extensive decommissioning project experience
- Decommissioning General Contractor (DGC) for the Holtec fleet



Jointly-owned by Holtec/SNC-Lavalin







### Holtec's Planned DECON vs. Potential SAFSTOR

#### **Potential SAFSTOR Timeline**



#### **Holtec's Planned DECON Timeline**



Accelerates License Termination, Enabling Site Re-Purposing from 2082 to 2041

\* Assumes DOE Fuel Pick-Up Complete in 2040

Note: Dates subject to change





### **Financial Qualifications**

- Palisades nuclear decommissioning trust (NDT) satisfies 10 CFR 50.75(e)(1)(i) as a prepayment method of providing decommissioning financial assurance for Palisades
  - NDT will be owned by Holtec Palisades, LLC
  - NDT balance was approximately \$552 million total as of December 2, 2020
- Projected NDT values at transaction closing will be sufficient to fund the costs of radiological decommissioning, spent fuel management, and site restoration under the Holtec plan
- Application will include financial data supporting the adequacy of the NDT funds including the following:
  - Decommissioning, spent fuel management and site restoration costs by category
  - Annualized decommissioning cost estimate with reasonable contingency assumptions
  - Cash flow analysis
- Big Rock Point spent fuel management to be funded by Holtec and ISFSI decommissioning costs to be funded by an NRC-approved financial protection mechanism





## **Technical Qualifications**

- HDI will integrate existing Palisades knowledge and incumbent staff to support HDI site organization
  - HDI Management Model supports safe, compliant and efficient decommissioning operations
  - Existing Palisades site organization at the time of license transfer will be integrated into the site organization including:
    - Plant Operations
    - Emergency Planning
    - Security
- HDI will have full control and oversight over CDI, including the site organization
- HDI/CDI team will jointly conduct transition readiness assessments with Entergy prior to license transfer





## **Technical Qualifications**

- HDI/CDI team possesses extensive experience in nuclear operating, decommissioning, and spent fuel management
- Ability to draw from Holtec's technical resources (R&D, engineering, manufacturing facilities) and experienced personnel to support decommissioning
  - ✓ Oyster Creek and Pilgrim experience
  - ✓ HDI managed by senior Holtec personnel
  - ✓ Draw from existing corporate nuclear programs (e.g., QA, project management)
- Holtec Decommissioning Model
  - ✓ Unified Corporate QA, security and IT
  - ✓ Fleet-based programs, processes and procedures
  - ✓ Innovations developed through Oyster Creek and Pilgrim projects
  - ✓ Staggered fleet execution plans





### Other License Transfer Requirements

#### Spent Fuel Management

- Holtec Palisades, under Holtec ownership, will own Palisades and Big Rock
  Point spent fuel rights and obligations pursuant to the DOE standard contract
- Holtec will be responsible for ISFSI decommissioning (Palisades and Big Rock Point)

#### No foreign ownership, control, and domination

- Holtec Board of Directors are all U.S. Citizens
- Holtec and the licensee entities are not owned, controlled or dominated by any foreign person

#### Nuclear Insurance

- Holtec will obtain onsite property damage insurance coverage and offsite nuclear liability coverage as required
- Proof of the coverage will be provided to the NRC prior to license transfer





# **Next Steps: Regulatory Plan**

Activity	Target Date
License Transfer Application (joint submittal with Entergy)	December 2020
DECON PSDAR including site-specific DCE	December 2020
Exemption request to use NDT funds for SFM and Site Restoration	December 2020
Request License Transfer Application approval	December 2021