



Eielson Micro-Reactor Quarterly Newsletter

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Welcome,

This is the fourth of a series of quarterly updates from the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Environment, Safety, and Infrastructure (SAF/IEE) on the Micro-Reactor Pilot at Eielson Air Force Base. This newsletter is intended to provide updates on the Request for Proposal (RFP) process, meetings with public officials, as well as any relevant ancillary news that affects these efforts. Previous newsletters can be found on the new Eielson Air Force Base micro-reactor website at <https://www.eielson.af.mil/microreactor/>.

Please direct any questions regarding the Micro-Reactor Pilot to our new mailbox at SAF.IEE.Micro-ReactorPilot@us.af.mil.

Pilot Program Updates:

Following the release of a RFP for the Eielson Air Force Base Micro-Reactor Pilot Program, the Department of the Air Force (DAF), in partnership with the Defense Logistics Agency issued six responses to Requests for Information. The RFP closed on 31 January 2023. Next steps include the initiation of the source selection phase and ongoing dialogue with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) regarding the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process.

The RFP and responses can be found at: <https://sam.gov/opp/aa745d680417440caaf2d911eef09959/view>.

Meeting/Briefing Activity:

CAMP Meetings

On 18 January, SAF/IEE, hosted a virtual Council for the Alaska Micro-Reactor Program (CAMP) meeting to provide community leaders the with the most-up-to-date information on the Micro-Reactor Pilot Program, share information about the DAF's micro-reactor communications strategy, and answer outstanding questions and concerns. Attendees heard updates from local leaders, the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, the Defense Logistics Agency - Energy, the Department of Energy, and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

The next CAMP meeting is planned for early April 2023 in Fairbanks, Alaska.

DOE-NE Micro-reactor Program Winter Review Meeting

SAF/IEE will attend and participate in the Department of Energy Office of Nuclear Energy (DOE-NE) Micro-reactor Program Winter Review Meeting on 8-9 March.

NRC Regulatory Information Conference

The NRC is holding its 35th Annual Regulatory Information Conference in Rockville, Maryland on 14-16 March. This year's theme is "Navigating the Nuclear Future." SAF/IEE will attend and participate in the conference. Learn more about the engagement at <https://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/conference-symposia/ric/index.html>.

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Other Relevant News:

SAF/IEE and Eielson Air Force Base have launched a new website to house all pertinent Micro-reactor Pilot Program news and information, including previous newsletters and our newly updated FAQ and Fact Sheet documents. The website can be found at: <https://www.eielson.af.mil/microreactor/>.

The DAF will publish four short educational videos linked to the micro-reactor webpage that will inform viewers on key project topics. Video topics were identified by analyzing frequently asked questions. The first video was published in February and is posted to the micro-reactor website at <https://www.eielson.af.mil/microreactor/>. The video focuses on the purpose of micro-reactor project at Eielson AFB and how micro-reactors will help the DAF meet energy resilience goals.

Resources:

Please visit <https://www.eielson.af.mil/microreactor/> for the most up to date information and the following resources:

- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Fact Sheet](#)