

- I. Working title: Fuel cycle impacts of deploying High Assay Low Enriched Uranium (HALEU)-fueled reactors
- II. Introduction
 - A. Purpose of the work: investigate the effect of deploying HALEU-fueled advanced reactors on the nuclear fuel cycle in the US
 - B. Scope:
 - 1. US facilities
 - 2. select advanced reactors: USNC MMR, X-energy Xe-100, NuScale VOYGR
 - 3. Front-end and back-end of the fuel cycle
 - C. Benefits of using HALEU for reactors – why we care about these reactors
- III. Lit Review
 - A. The nuclear fuel cycle
 - 1. Once-through vs recycle
 - 2. Enrichment facility/SWU calculations
 - 3. Recycling processes
 - B. Fuel Cycle simulators
 - 1. CYCLUS [1]
 - a. CYCAMORE [2]
 - 2. DYMOND [3]
 - 3. Use and verification
 - a. Verification [3, 4]
 - b. Simulators comparison [5]
 - C. Fuel Cycle modeling
 - 1. Department of Energy (DOE) Evaluation & screening [6]
 - a.
- IV. Material requirements – Once through fuel cycles
 - A. Methodology
 - B. Scenario Definitions
 - C. Results
 - 1. Reactor deployment
 - a. No growth scenarios
 - b. 1% growth scenarios
 - 2. Uranium resources
 - 3. a. No growth scenarios
 - b. 1% growth scenarios
 - 4. SWU capacity
 - 5. a. No growth scenarios
 - b. 1% growth scenarios
 - A. Sensitivity analysis and optimization
 - B. 1. Methodology
 - 2. Results
- V. Model fuel cycle with recycle

- A. Methodology
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 - C. Results
- VI. Downblending effects on neutronics
- VII. Conclusions

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