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# **An Overview of the Nuclear Energy Industry: Opportunities & Challenges**

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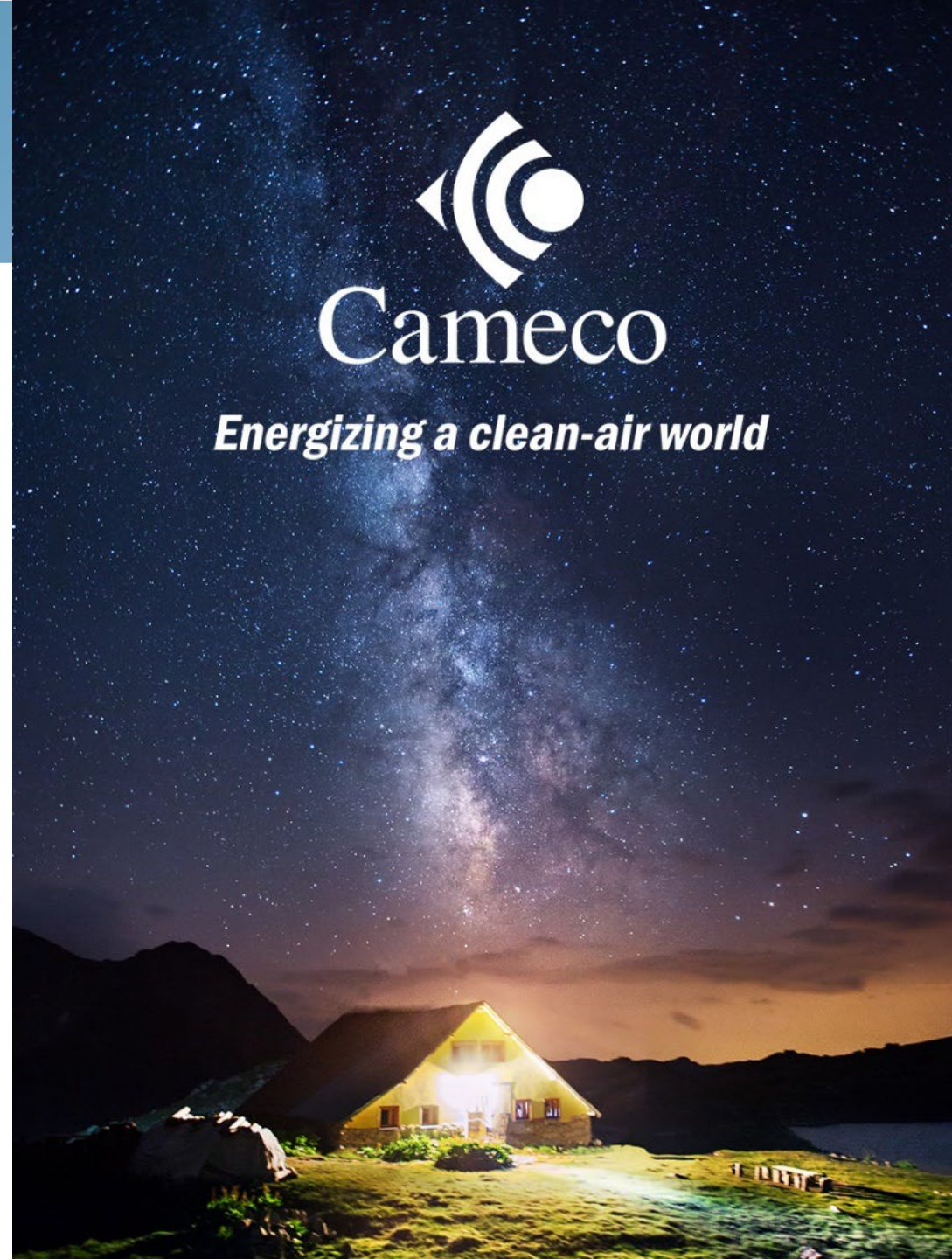
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# Introduction

- Nuclear Energy Tailwinds
- Uranium market fundamentals “best ever”
- Cameco’s state of operational readiness in uranium and conversion
- Working together towards a brighter and cleaner future
- Opportunities for Saskatchewan Suppliers



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# Nuclear Growth Potential

Clean Energy Transition



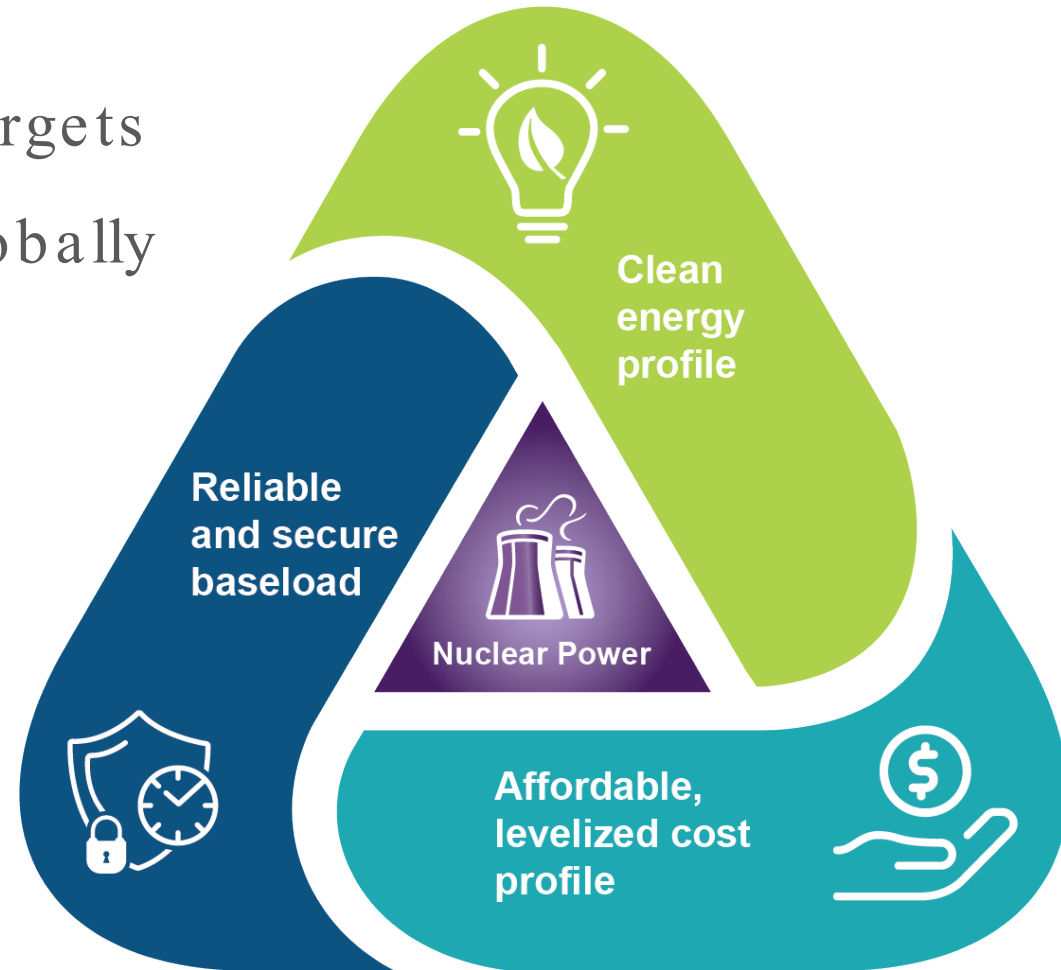
## *Triple Challenge of Net-Zero Carbon Targets*

- **Energy Poverty**
  - Lift 1/3 of the global population out of energy poverty
- **Thermal Replacement**
  - Replace 85% of grid running on carbon-emitting thermal power with a clean, reliable alternative
- **Electrifying Industry**
  - Electrify industries, such as private and commercial transportation, largely powered by carbon-emitting thermal energy today

# Nuclear Growth Potential

## Clean Energy Transition

- Growing focus on Net-zero Carbon Targets
- Increasing Public & Policy Support Globally
- Transportation
  - Electrification & Decarbonization
- Nuclear for Process Heat
- Small Modular Reactors
  - Scalable next generation solutions

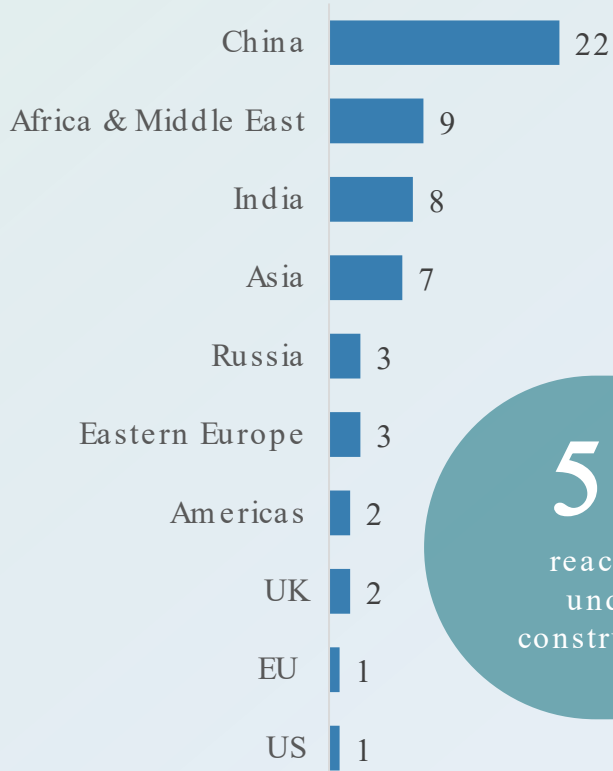


# Nuclear Growth Potential

Energy Security Driven by Geopolitical Risk



## Growth from New Reactors



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reactors under construction

Source: IAEA

## Demand Increasing

### Near-Term

- Reversal of early retirement / closures
- Geopolitical impacts

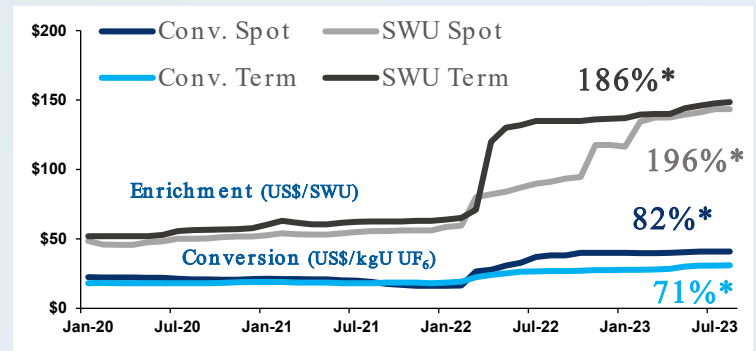
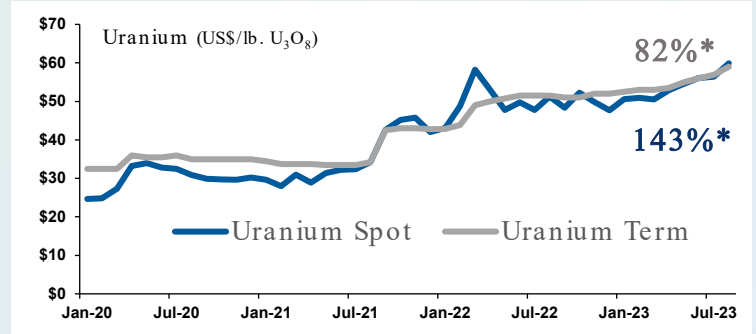
### Medium-Term

- Clean, secure energy focus, reactor life-extensions

### Long-Term

- Reactor new builds and development of small modular and micro reactors

## Price Increases Across the Fuel Cycle<sup>1</sup>



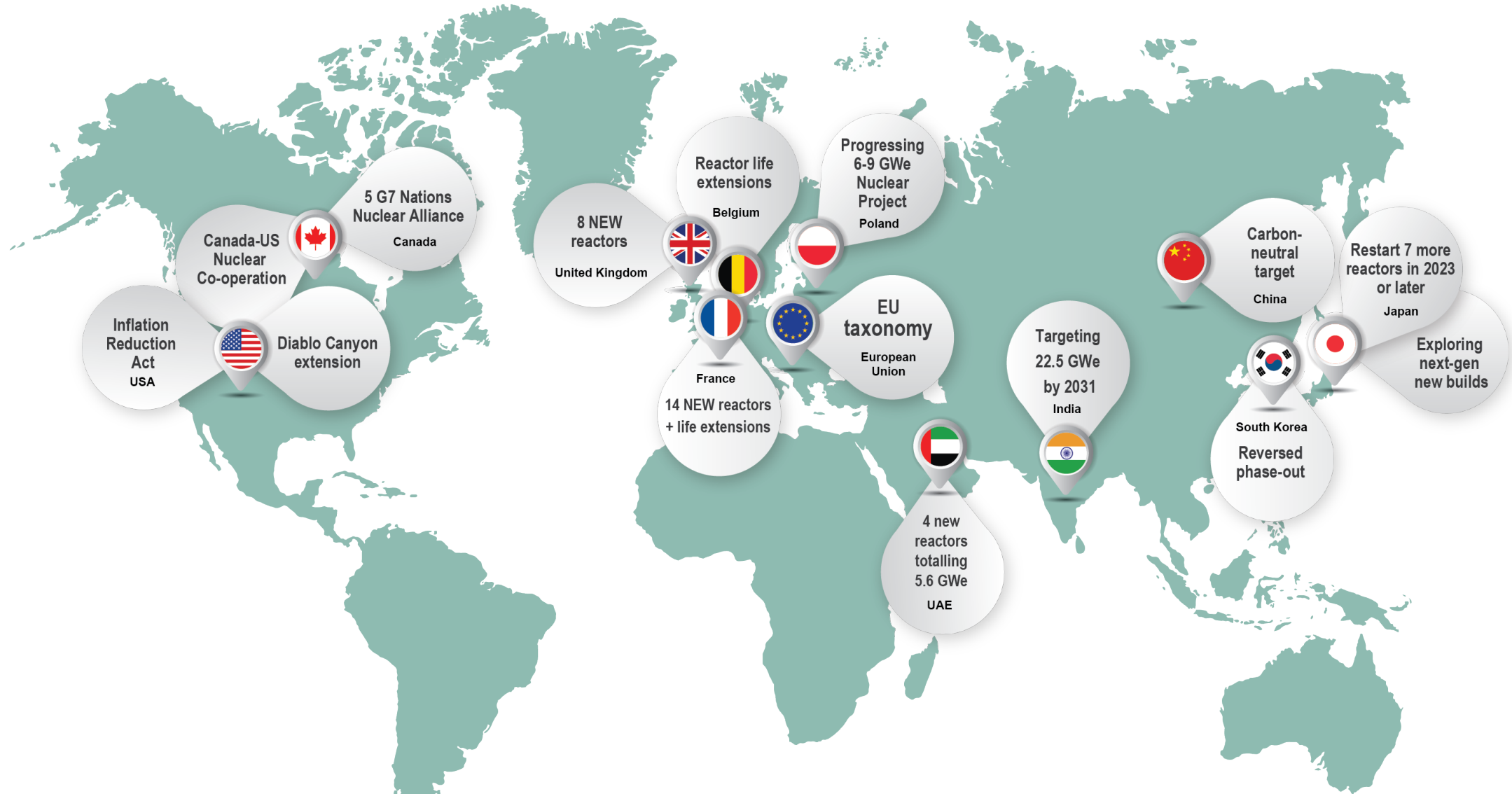
\*Increase since January 2020

# Full-Cycle Demand

“Best Ever Fundamentals”



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# North American Announcements

Nuclear Growth in Sync with Positive Global Landscape

## ALBERTA

- ▶ MOU in place for potential SMR

## SASKATCHEWAN

- ▶ Considering sites for potential SMR

## ONTARIO

- ▶ **Bruce Power** - potential 4.8 GWe additional nuclear
- ▶ **OPG** - potential refurbishing of Pickering
- ▶ **OPG** - 1 SMR planned; 3 more considered

## NEW BRUNSWICK

- ▶ **NB Power** - planning SMR at Point Lepreau

## USA

- ▶ **Brookfield Properties** - entire US office portfolio to be powered with zero-emission electricity, including nuclear

## VIRGINIA

- ▶ **Constellation Energy/Microsoft** - data center to be powered with zero-emission electricity, including nuclear

## TEXAS

- ▶ **Dow Inc/X-energy** - SMR planned for Seadrift site (Gulf Coast)

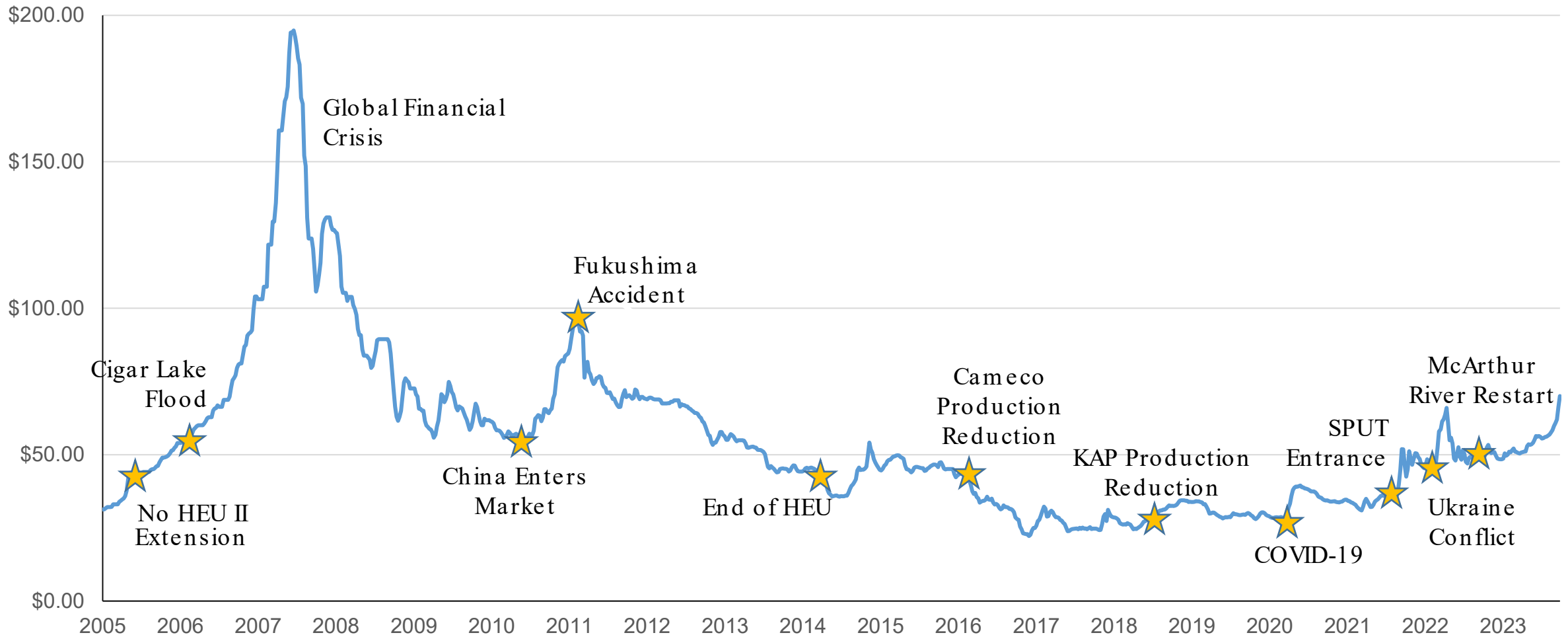


# Market History & Potential

Transitioning from Maintenance to Growth



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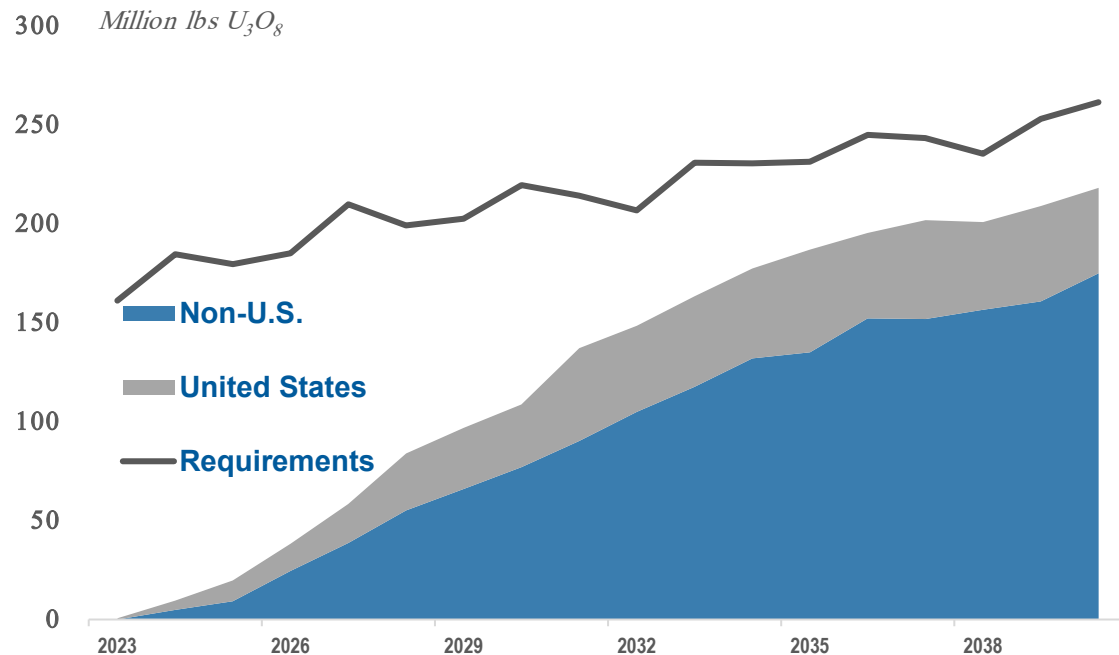


# Market Fundamentals

Driving Contracting Interest & Need for Future Production

## Utility Uncovered Uranium Requirements

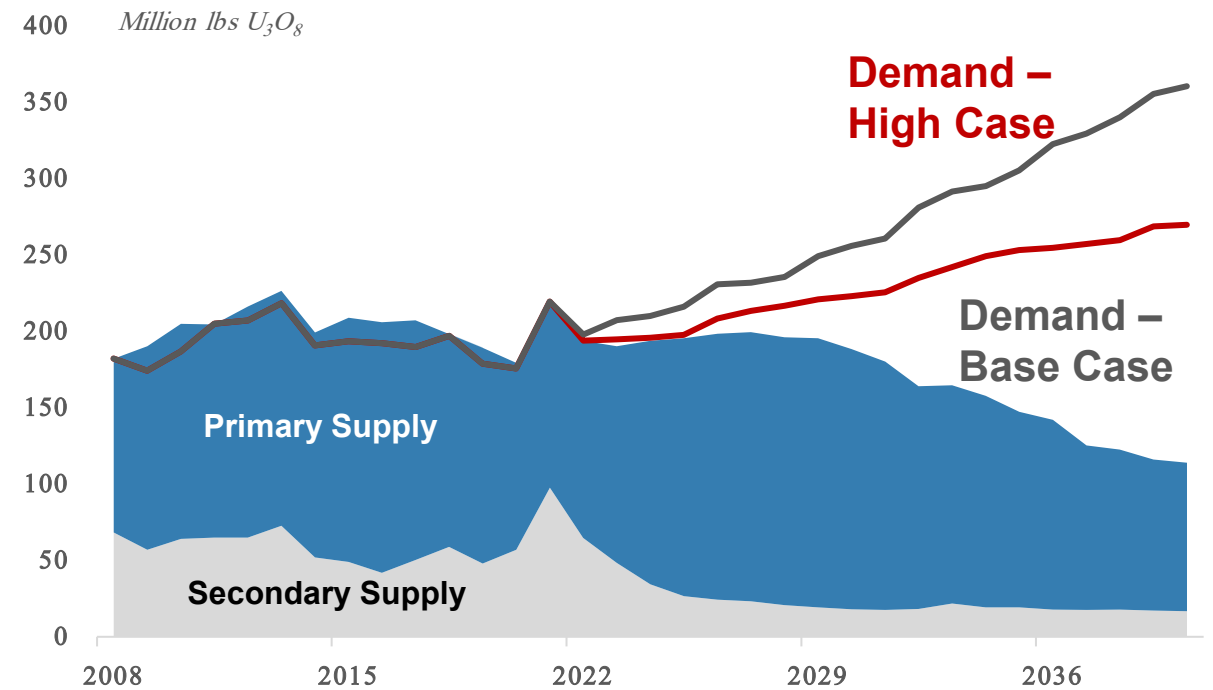
~ 2.3 Billion pounds through 2040



Source: UxC Q3 2023 Uranium Market Outlook

## Supply Outlook is Uncertain

Structural Primary & Secondary Supply Gap



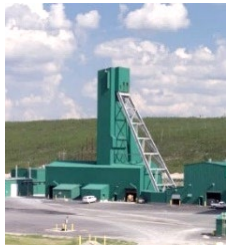
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# Cameco's Actions in a Transitioning Market



## Contract Portfolio increased to:

- ✓ 215 M lbs uranium
- ✓ 70 M kgU conversion services



## Transitioning to tier-one run rate

- ✓ Cigar Lake 16 m lbs (100% basis) in 2023 → plan for 18 m lbs in 2024
- ✓ McArthur River/Key Lake 14 m lbs (100% basis) → plan for 18 m lbs in 2024
- ✓ Record UF<sub>6</sub> production



## Investments in the nuclear fuel cycle

- ✓ Increased ownership of Cigar Lake, tier-one high-grade mine
- ✓ Advancing next generation enrichment technology
- ✓ Proposed joint acquisition of Westinghouse with Brookfield Renewable

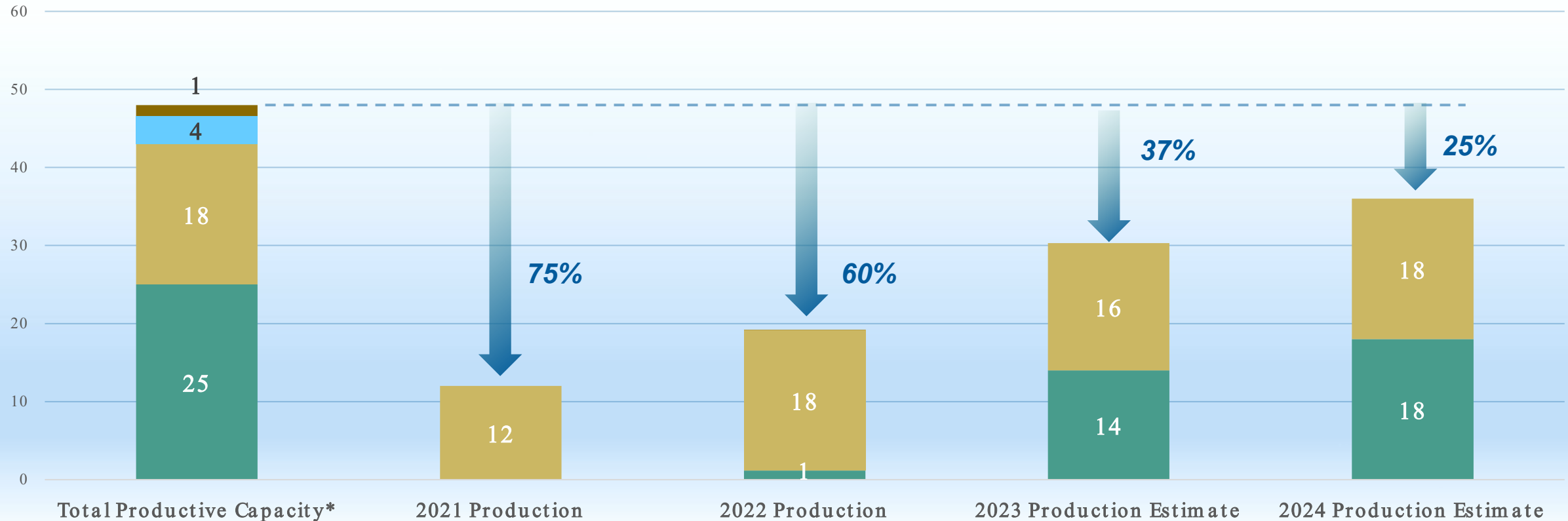
# Cameco's Response

Transition from Supply Discipline to Restart & Expansion

## Annual Capacity vs. Production (100% basis)

Million lbs U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>

■ McArthur River/Key Lake ■ Cigar Lake ■ Rabbit Lake ■ US ISR



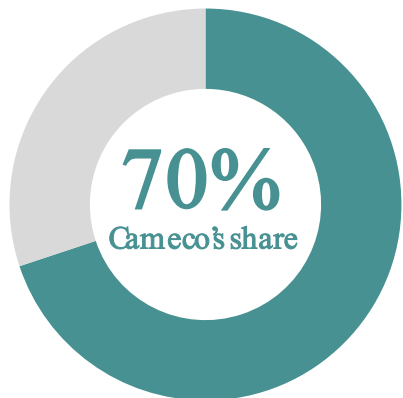
# McArthur River Restart

Contracting First, then Production



## *Recent Developments*

- Care and maintenance from July 2018 to November 2022
  - Removed 18 million lbs from the market annually (100% basis)
- Digital Transformation ongoing to build the mine of the future
- 2023 production reduction from 15 to 14 million lbs (100% basis)
  - 9.8 million lbs (Cameco's share)
- 2024 production plan of 18 million lbs (100% basis)
  - 12.6 million lbs (Cameco's share)



**0.8 million lbs**

2022 Production (Cameco share)

**275 million lbs**

Proven & Probable Reserves (Cameco share)

**6.70%**

Average grade U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>



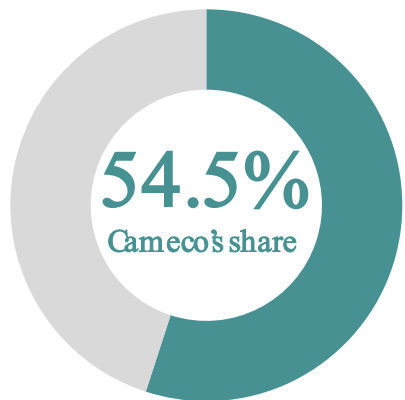
# Cigar Lake

Uranium Grade 100x the World Average



## *Recent Developments*

- 2023 production reduction from 18 to 16.3 million lbs (100% basis)
  - 8.9 million lbs (Cameco's share)
- 2024 production plan of 18 million lbs (100% basis)
  - 9.8 million lbs (Cameco's share)
- Acquired 4.522% of Idemitsu's 7.875% participating interest
- 2023 Plans include continued mine development (freezing, construction, etc.) in support of future construction



**9.6 million lbs**

2022 Production (Cameco Share)

**84.4 million lbs**

Proven & Probable Reserves (Cameco Share)

**17.21%**

Average grade  $U_3O_8$



# Curtailed & Potential Cameco Production



## Rabbit Lake 🇨🇦

Mine Type: Underground  
Status: **Suspended**  
Location: Saskatchewan, Canada  
Average Grade: 0.80%  
Reserves & Resources: 72.3M lbs



## Crow Butte & Smith Ranch-Highland

Mine Type: In Situ Recovery  
Status: **Suspended**  
Location: Nebraska & Wyoming, USA  
Average Grade: 0.26% - 0.07%  
Reserves & Resources: 58.2M lbs  
*\* Includes North Butte-Brown Ranch*

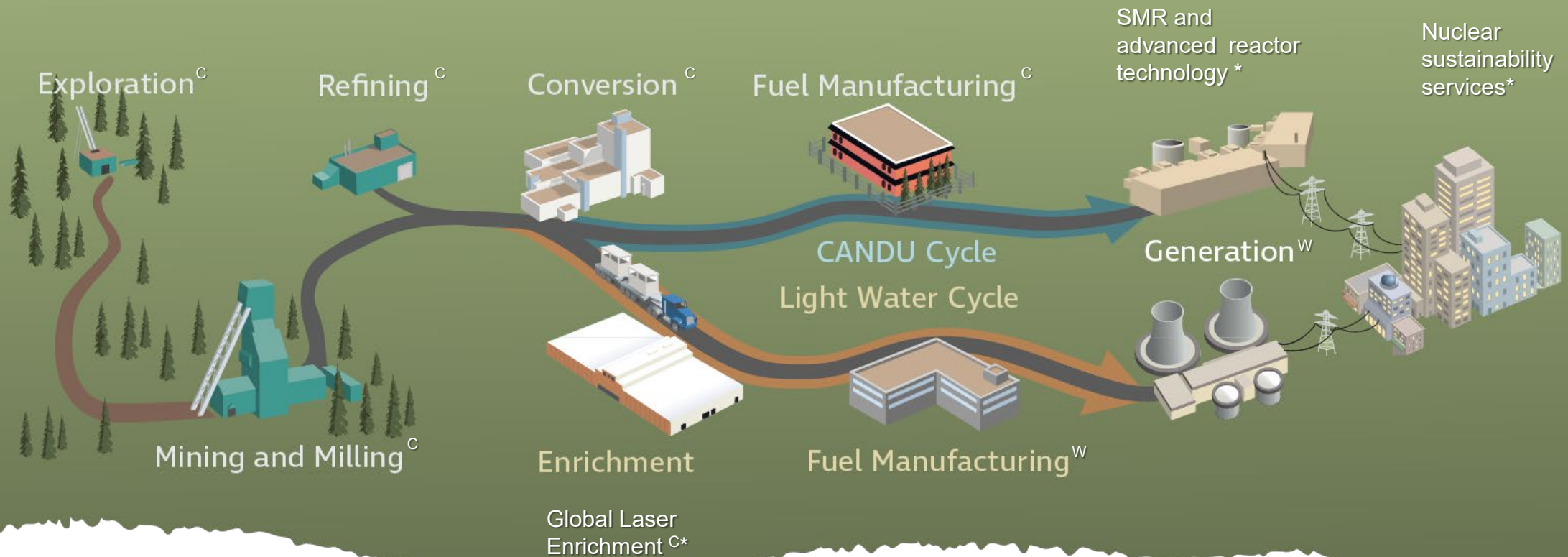


## Millennium 🇨🇦

Mine Type: Underground  
Status: **Awaiting Development Decision**  
Location: Saskatchewan, Canada  
Average Grade: 2.61%  
Resources: 73.2M lbs

# Expanding Cameco's Role

## Vertical Integration within the Nuclear Fuel Chain



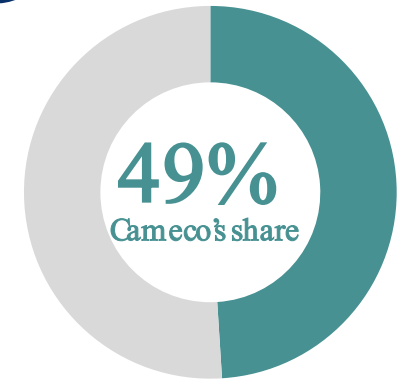
C – Cameco; W - Westinghouse  
\* Emerging Opportunities



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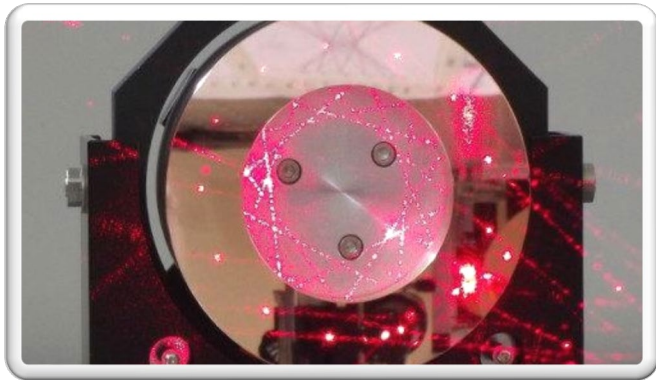
- *Cameco has committed to acquire a 49% interest in Westinghouse Electric*
  - Subject to final closing
  - Brookfield Renewables will retain operational control with a 51% interest
- *Westinghouse Electric is valued at \$7.875 billion*
- *Cameco financing mix of cash, debt & equity*



Plant Operating Services				Environmental Services	Energy Systems
Outage Services	Engineered Systems	Parts	Nuclear Fuel	Decommissioning and Decontamination	New Power Plant Projects

# Global Laser Enrichment

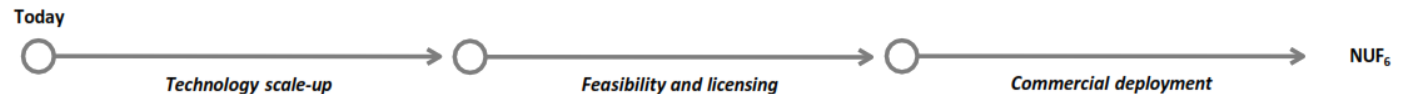
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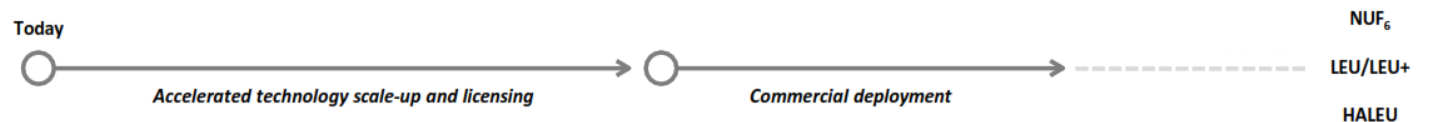
Three advantages to offer the nuclear industry over the long-term:

1. Re-enrichment of depleted uranium tails from previous generation enrichment technologies
2. HALEU/LEU/LEU+ for SMRs and advanced reactor designs
3. LEU for the world's existing and future light-water reactor fleet with greater efficiency and flexibility than current enrichment technologies

*Baseline – market-driven pace, minimized risk*



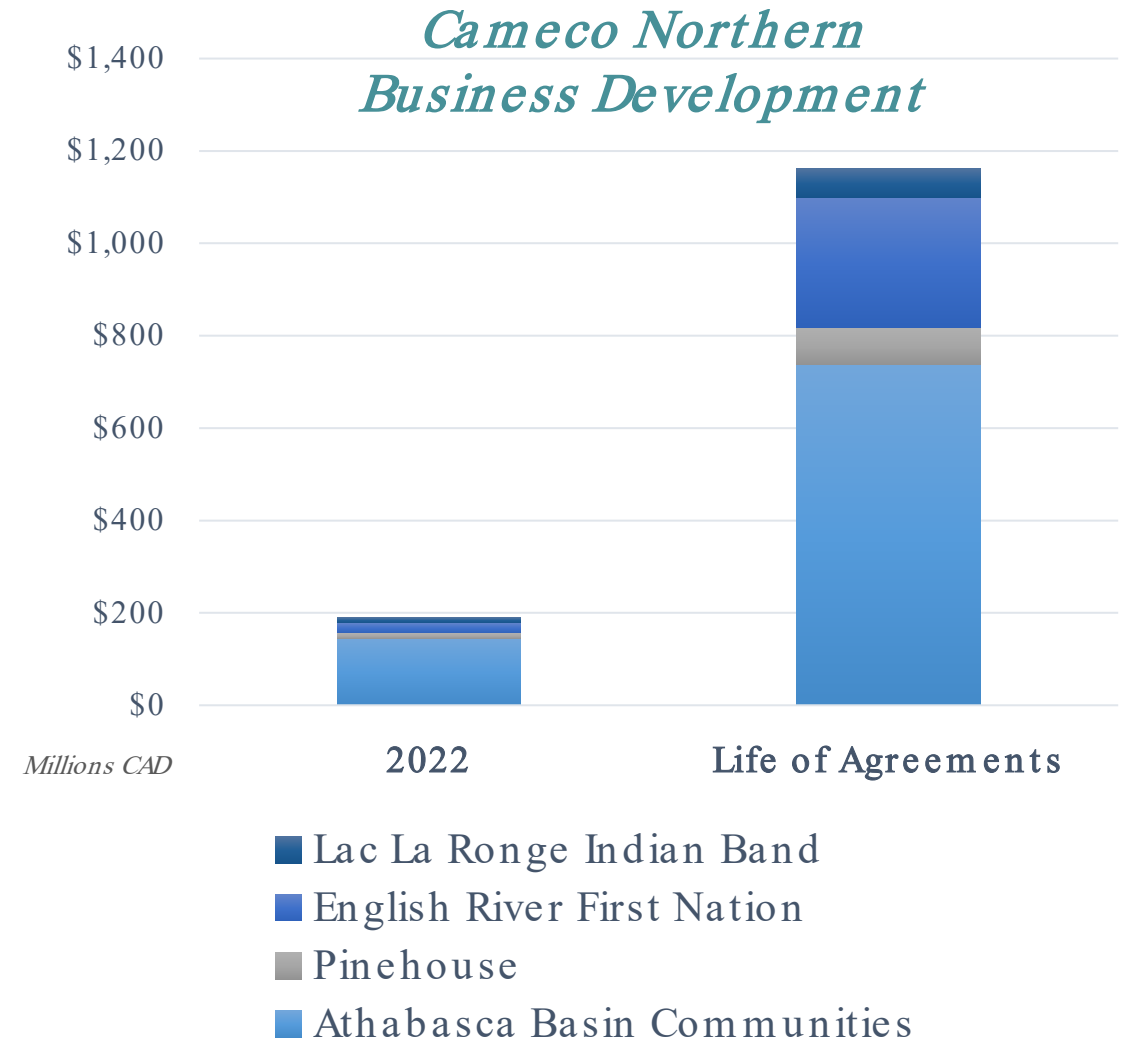
*Potential acceleration - aggressive plan underpinned by key market drivers*



# Saskatchewan's Opportunity

## Cameco's Role in Saskatchewan

- 50% of Cameco's employees in Northern SK are Indigenous
- Step Up for Mental Health has raised over \$2.3 million
- \$1 million COVID-19 Relief Fund
- \$50,000 in scholarships for Northern students in 2023
- Employee Giving campaign with \$276,284 in donations
- \$4.22 billion spent with northern businesses, including \$1.1 billion related to key collaboration agreements



# Looking Forward Targets

## Commitments to Saskatchewan



- Net-Zero Ambition and 30 by 30 Target
- Decarbonization Pathways
- Scope 3
- Climate-Related Physical Risks
- Environmental Performance
- Tailings Management
- Workplace Safety
- Indigenous and Community Relations
- Inclusion and Diversity
- Board Diversity
- Conduct and Ethics
- Cybersecurity

# Positive Nuclear Energy Tailwinds

## Cameco Well Positioned as Nuclear Energy Leader

- Growing demand for nuclear as green energy source
  - Cameco & Saskatchewan are uniquely situated to address
- Strong projected demand growth, further supplemented from market realignment
- Market transitioning with need for additional supply
- We believe our strategy of **contracting discipline, operationally flexible supply discipline, and financial discipline** will allow us to achieve our vision of **Energizing a clean-air world**





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