



This Newsletter keeps you informed about activities related to SMR educational efforts in Puerto Rico, latest news on Puerto Rico's energy sector and much more...



Our Work this month

Great Success! With passing of House Resolution 1189, Puerto Rico opens the door for a discussion on advanced nuclear reactors for the Island! Thanks to the University of Puerto Rico-Mayaguez (UPRM) for hosting our first-ever SMR Forum and to the local leadership for opening the door to start the conversation about SMRs for Puerto Rico, and to the [United Nuclear Industry Alliance \(UNIA\)](#) for their partnership with this trip to Puerto Rico!

Welcome to our board of advisors! We are excited to announce our newly formed advisory board - [Luis Reyes](#) (UPRM, nuclear '74), [Juan Cajigas](#) (UPRM, nuclear '74), [Paul Murphy](#) and [Carmen Bigles](#). Their guidance in this journey for SMRs for Puerto Rico will more than strengthen our cause.

Feasibility Study Technical Advisory Board (TAB) As part of the proposal being developed for a feasibility study for SMRs for Puerto Rico, a TAB has been formed to provide technical input during the feasibility study. The TAB is chaired by Mr. Luis Reyes and composed of Abdul Dulloo (Westinghouse), Amr Elnashai (University of Houston), David Sledzik (GE Hitachi), Jeff Harper (X-Energy), José Reyes (NuScale) and Paul Murphy.

Latest News in Puerto Rico's Energy Sector

Exelon, Duke, PSEG and Quanta selected as finalists to operate transmission in Puerto Rico:

<https://caribbeanbusiness.com/proponents-for-puerto-rico-utilitys-transmission-distribution-concession-announced/>

Did you know?

Puerto Rico is home to the first Boiling Water Nuclear Super Heater Reactor (BONUS), built in the 1960's in the municipality of Rincón. The photo to your right shows then Governor Luis Muñoz Marín (Puerto Rico's first democratically elected governor) with the shovel at the construction ceremony (*Source: United States Department of the Interior, National Register of Historic Places, OMB No. 10024-0018*).



Boricuas in U.S. Nuclear-Profile of the month:

Angel Reyes

Angel Reyes was born and raised in Cayey, Puerto Rico. The son of a Vietnam Army Veteran, Angel holds a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the University of Puerto Rico-Mayaguez and a master's degree in engineering management from The George Washington University. He started his career in nuclear at Entergy as a civil designer for nuclear systems. His interests for nuclear power plant operations took him to Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant (CCNPP) where he currently serves as Senior Program Manager for Exelon Nuclear Generation. Angel holds a Senior Reactor Operator (SRO) Certification for Pressurized Water Reactor (PWR) and is currently pursuing his SRO License for Operations Control Room Supervisor in CCNPP. Angel served as the Vice-chair of the US In-service Inspection Program Owners Group and a voting member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Containment Working Group.

