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WNE USA Pavilion Showcases American Supply Chain

The U.S. Nuclear Infrastructure Council-led (USNIC) USA Pavilion at the World Nuclear Exhibition 2014 (WNE) in Paris hit the ground running at the inaugural global gathering of key international players in the nuclear energy community.

The Minister-Counselor for the U.S. Embassy in Paris Reginald Miller cut a ceremonial ribbon to officially open the USA Pavilion along with WNE General Chairman Gerard Kottman, Georgia Public Service Commissioner Tim Echols and officials from the 10-member company American industry delegation. Miller highlighted the importance of nuclear energy to the world energy mix. Kottman emphasized the contributions of the USA Pavilion to the debut of the WNE.

WNE opening ceremony hallmarks included a keynote address by former French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing who heralded "the dawn of a new age" for nuclear energy and perspectives from international panelists including Exelon Corporation.

Other USA Pavilion activities include an USNIC-sponsored special session featuring American nuclear technology development encompassing new build, Gen 3+ and small reactors.

The USA Pavilion Delegation includes: U.S. Nuclear Infrastructure Council; GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy; PaR Systems; CB&I AREVA MOX Services; Nuclear Energy Institute; EXCEL Services Corporation; Fairbanks Morse Engine; KURION; PEERLESS Mfg. Co.; and NuScale Power.

The biennial WNE features 495 exhibitors, an estimated 7,000 attendees, morning roundtables, dozens of workshops and a daily newspaper at Le Bourget field, site of the Paris Air Show and the landing site for pioneer American aviator Charles Lindbergh's famous solo nonstop New York to Paris flight across the Atlantic in 1927.

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The Council (www.usnic.org) is the leading business consortium for new nuclear energy and involvement of the U.S. supply chain globally.

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