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## NENSC Launches "Atomically Speaking" Podcast to Advance Dialogue on Nuclear Energy's Role in U.S. Security

**WASHINGTON**, **D.C.** — The Nuclear Energy and National Security Coalition (NENSC) is proud to announce the launch of *Atomically Speaking*, a new and innovative podcast dedicated to exploring the intersection of nuclear energy and U.S. national security. Debuting this week, *Atomically Speaking* is designed as a unique space for some of the nation's foremost security experts, thought leaders, and policymakers to come together and engage in insightful, solution-oriented dialogue on the vital importance of maintaining a robust national nuclear energy enterprise.

Atomically Speaking aims to cultivate a deeper understanding of how nuclear innovation bolsters the country's defense posture while also fostering energy resilience and technological leadership. The podcast will highlight an array of contributors and guests who bring diverse perspectives and expertise to the table. Each episode promises an exchange of ideas on critical topics, current trends, and significant advancements that underscore the pivotal role of nuclear energy in safeguarding America's security interests at home and abroad.

The <u>inaugural episode</u> featured a compelling conversation between NENSC Co-Chair Dan Poneman and Dr. Jeff Waksman, the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations, Energy, and Environment. Their discussion delved into the rapidly evolving landscape of military energy resilience, with particular emphasis on Project Pele—a groundbreaking initiative that demonstrates the strategic value of nuclear energy for the U.S. military. Poneman and Dr. Waksman explored the immense promise of civil-military collaboration in the development of advanced nuclear technologies, as well as the alignment between the Department of Defense's pursuit of these innovations and wider U.S. goals for global technological and energy leadership.

Atomically Speaking is the latest addition to NENSC's suite of educational and engagement offerings, which also includes webinars, thought leadership articles, and interactive forums. These initiatives are designed to foster meaningful conversations among policymakers, subject matter experts, industry leaders, and other stakeholders invested in the future of nuclear energy and national security.

For more information about the *Atomically Speaking* podcast and the NENSC's ongoing work in promoting informed dialogue on nuclear energy's strategic importance, <u>visit the NENSC website</u> or subscribe to the podcast on your preferred platform.

The Nuclear Energy and National Security Coalition (NENSC) is an independent organization of leading national security experts dedicated to leveraging U.S. nuclear energy to advance U.S. national security interests. NENSC is dedicated to expanding recognition of this interdependence among policymakers at all levels and promoting policies that ensure a robust U.S. nuclear energy enterprise.

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