AC Alternating current

ACS Active cooling system

AGR (1) Advanced Gas Reactor [Gen IV VHTR]

AGR (2) Advanced Gas Reactor [2nd generation CO₂-cooled, graphite-moderated

reactor concept deployed in UK]

AGR Plan Advanced Gas Reactor Fuel Development and Qualification Plan

ANL Argonne National Laboratory

ANS American Nuclear Society

ANSI American National Standard Institute

AOO Anticipated Operational Occurrence

App Application

ASME American Society of Mechanical Engineers

ASTM American Society for Testing and Materials

ATR Advanced Test Reactor

ATWS Anticipated transient without scram

AVR Arbeitsgemeinschaft Versuchsreaktor [German demonstration HTR]

BAF_o Bacon Anisotropy Factor – measured optically for pyrocarbons

B&PV Code Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code

BDBA Beyond Design Basis Accident

BDBE Beyond Design Basis Event

BISO Coated-fuel particle design with two materials in coating system (low-

density PyC and high-density PyC)

BOP Balance of plant

BR Bottom reflector

C/C Carbon/carbon

CB Core barrel

CCS (1) Carbon capture and sequestration

CCS (2) Core Conditioning System

CEA Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique

CFD Computational fluid dynamics

CFR Code of Federal Regulations

CIP Core inlet plenum
CO Carbon monoxide
COL Combined license

CORDEL Cooperation in Reactor Design Evaluation and Licensing

CP Construction Permit

CR (1) Centre reflector

CR (2) Control rod

CRDM Control rod drive mechanism

CUD Core unloading device

CVD Chemical vapor deposition

DBA Design Basis Accident

DBE Design Basis Event

DC Design Certification

DCC Depressurized conduction cooldown

DCWG Design-Centered Working Group

DDN Design Data Need

DID Defense-in-depth

DIN German Institute for Standardization

DLOFC Depressurized loss of forced cooling

DOE Department of Energy

DPP Demonstration Power Plant (South Africa)

DTF "Designed-to-fail" [fuel particles]

DV&S Design verification and support

EAB Exclusion Area Boundary

EFPD Effective full power days

EIA Energy Information Agency

EOL End-of-life

EPA Environmental Protection Agency

EPACT Energy Policy Act [of 2005]

EPBE Emergency Planning Basis Event

EPRI Electric Power Research Institute

EPZ Emergency Planning Zone

ESP Early Site Permit

F/C Frequency/consequence

FHS Fuel Handling System

FHSS Fuel Handling and Storage System

FIMA Fissions in initial metal atoms

FIP Filter inlet plenum

FOA Funding Opportunity Announcement

FOAK First-of-a-kind

FP Fission product

FPT Fission product transport

FR (1) Federal Register

FR (2) Fractional release

FRG Federal Republic of Germany

FS Fuel spheres

FSAR Final Safety Analysis Report

FSV Fort St. Vrain

GA General Atomics

GCR Gas-cooled reactor

GFB Gas-fired boiler

GTCC Gas Turbine Combined Cycle

GT-MHR Gas Turbine Modular Helium Reactor

HEU High-enriched uranium

HFIR High Flux Isotope Reactor

HFR High Flux Reactor

HM Heavy Metal (U, Th, Pu, etc.)

HMI Human-machine interface

HP High pressure

HPB Helium pressure boundaryHPC High pressure compressor

HPS Helium Purification System

HPTU High pressure test unit

HFR-K3 Pebble bed fuel element irradiation test

HT&SS Helium Transfer and Storage System

HTE High temperature electrolysis

HTF Helium Test Facility

HTGR High Temperature Gas-cooled Reactor

HTGR-SC/C HTGR-Steam Cycle/Cogeneration

HTR High Temperature Reactor [German pebble-bed HTGR]

HTR-10 Chinese pebble bed test reactor [10 MWt]

HTR-PM HTR Power Module

HTS Heat Transport System

HTSE High Temperature Steam Electrolysis

HTTR High Temperature Engineering Test Reactor

HTTU High Temperature Test Unit

HVAC Heating, ventilating and air conditioning

HX Heat exchanger

I&C Instrumentation and Control

IAEA International Atomic Energy Agency

IHX Intermediate heat exchanger

IMGA Irradiated Microsphere Gamma Analyzer

INL Idaho National Laboratory

IPyC Inner pyrolytic carbon coating layer

IPS Investment Protection System

JAEA Japan Atomic Energy Agency (formerly JAERI)

JAERI Japan Atomic Energy Research Institute

KAERI Korea Atomic Energy Research Institute

KFA Kernforschungsanlage – Juelich [now renamed Forschungszentrum

Juelich]

KTA Kerntechnischen Ausschusses (German equivalent of ASME B&PV

Code)

KVK German high temperature helium test loop (decommissioned)

LBE Licensing Basis Event

LBP Lumped burnable poison

LEU Low-enriched uranium (<19.9% U-235)

LMTD Logarithmic mean temperature difference

LOCA Loss of coolant accident

LOFC Loss of forced cooling

LOSP Loss of off-site power

LP Low pressure

LPC Low-pressure compressor

LTR Licensing Topical Report

LWA Limited Work Authorization

LWR Light water reactor

MDEP Multinational Design Evaluation Programme

MHR Modular Helium Reactor

MHTGR Modular High Temperature Gas-cooled Reactor

MIR Matched index of refraction

ML Main loop

MPS Main Power System

MT Metric ton

MTS Methyltrichlorosilane

MWe Megawatts electric

MWt Megawatts thermal

NCA Neutron control assembly

NDTT Nil ductility transition temperature

NGNP Next Generation Nuclear Plant

NHSB Nuclear Heat Supply Building

NHSS Nuclear Heat Supply System

NP-MHTGR New Production - Modular Helium Reactor

NPR New Production Reactor (same as NP-MHTGR)

NRC Nuclear Regulatory Commission

NSTF Natural Convection Shutdown Heat Removal Test Facility

Nu Nusselt number

O&M Operation and maintenance

ODS Oxide dispersion strengthened

OL Operating License

OPyC Outer pyrolytic carbon coating layer

ORNL Oak Ridge National Laboratory

P&L Power and light

PAG Protective action guideline

PAT Post-accident train

PB-1 Peach Bottom Unit 1

PBMR Pebble Bed Modular Reactor

PBMR-CG PBMR – Cogeneration Plant

PBMR-DPP PBMR – Demonstration Power Plant

PCC Pressurized conduction cooldown

PCDIS Plant Control, Data and Instrumentation System

PCS Power Conversion System

PCU Power Conversion Unit

PF Packing fraction (fraction of fuel particle volume in a fuel compact or

sphere)

P_f Coating failure probability

PHPB Primary helium pressure boundary

PIE Post-irradiation examination

PIRT Phenomenon Identification and Ranking Table

PLOFC Pressurized loss of forced cooling

PNP German HTR process heat development program ("Prototype plant for

Nuclear Process heat")

Pr Prandtl number

PRA Probabilistic risk assessment

PRS Pressure relief shaft

PSER Preapplication Safety Evaluation Report

PSID Preliminary Safety Information Document (for the MHTGR)

PSR Permanent side reflector

PWR Pressurized water reactor

PyC Pyrocarbon

QC Quality control

R&D Research and development

R/B Release rate-to-birth rate ratio [a metric for fission gas release]

RB Reactor building

RCC-M French design and construction rules for mechanical components of

PWRs (French equivalent of ASME B&PV Code)

RCCS Reactor Core Cooling System

RCS Reactivity Control System

RCSS Reactivity Control and Shutdown System

Re Reynolds number

rem Roentgen equivalent man

RG Regulatory guide

RI Risk-informed

RIPB Risk-informed performance-based

RN Radionuclide

ROT Reactor outlet helium temperature

RPS Reactor Protection System

RPV Reactor pressure vessel

RS Reactor System

RSC Reserve shutdown control

RSR Replaceable side reflector

RTC Reactor top cavity

RTDP Regulatory Technology Development Plan

RV Reactor vessel

SAS Small Absorber Systems

SBS Startup Blower System

SCHE Shutdown Cooling Heat Exchanger

SCPCS Steam Cycle Power Conversion System

SCS Shutdown Cooling System

SECY NRC position papers

SEM Scanning electron microscope

SFR Shear force ratio

SG Steam generator

SGV Steam generator vessel

SHPB Secondary helium pressure boundary

SI Sulfur-iodine [process for thermo chemical water splitting]

SiC Silicon carbide

SMR Small and medium sized reactor

SOEC Solid oxide electrolyzer cell

SR (1) Shear ratio

SR (2) Side reflector

SRM Staff requirements memoranda

SSC Systems, structures, and components

stby Standby

STP Standard temperature and pressure [0 °C (273 K) and 1 atm]

t/b Thermal barrier

T/F Thermal-fluid

TEDE Total Effective Dose Equivalent

THTR Thorium High Temperature Reactor

TLDC Top level design criteria

TLRC Top level regulatory criteria

TR Top reflector

TRIGA Training, Research, Isotopes, General Atomics (test reactor)

TRISO Coated-fuel particle design with three materials in coating system (low-

density PyC, high-density PyC, and SiC)

UCO Uranium oxycarbide - an admixture of UC₂ and UO₂

USDOE US Department of Energy

V&V Verification and validation

VHTR Very High Temperature Reactor

VLPC Vented low pressure containment

VS Vessel System