

# NCSX PROJECT OVERVIEW AND MANAGEMENT

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## Review Charge Question



- Is there a high level of confidence, based on the current state of design, that NCSX can be built and maintained within its required tolerances?
- Review will focus on the stellarator core components and assembly, and will not include standard auxiliary and support systems.
- Future design activities will require additional reviews.





#### PROJECT INPUT TO COMMITTEE'S REVIEW



- The NCSX is a PPPL/ORNL Project
- Scheduled presentations on:
  - Physics requirements (H. Neilson)
  - Systems requirements, design, and analysis (Phil Heitzenroeder)
  - Assembly plans and risk management (M. Viola, E. Perry)
  - Field error compensation (trim) coils (A. Brooks)
- Tour of NCSX manufacturing facilities and test cell
  - Coil manufacture, assembly, development trials and mockups
- Background documentation posted on web site
  - Requirements, design, analysis, assembly sequence plan, etc.
- Other presentations or information, at the committee's request.





## NCSX HAS EXPERIENCED SIGNIFICANT COST AND SCHEDULE GROWTH



- A new, proposed Scope, Cost and Schedule Baseline was generated for the August Lehman Review
  - Cost
    - EAC increased from \$92M to \$132M
    - 28% contingency
    - Project currently 62% complete
      - Design 87%
      - Fabrication 75%
      - Procurement 68%
      - Assembly 10%
  - Schedule
    - Schedule to CD4 increased by 29 months
    - First Plasma December 2011
    - 11 months schedule float
    - Critical path through MC joint design, field period assembly, final machine assembly and startup testing
  - Management (background information only)
    - New organization NCSX given highest institutional priority
    - Improved Reporting
    - Improved Coordination and Execution
    - Increased communications within the Project





#### PPPL and ORNL Have Initiated Several Actions



- New interim Project Manager on board and PPPL is well along in the process to bring permanent PM on
- NCSX Project has generated and proposed a new Cost Estimate and Resource Loaded Schedule for Project Rebaseline
- Instituted a structured, consistent process for estimating contingency needs.
- Risk has been identified and quantified, documented in the Risk Register, is tracked and updated monthly
- Enhanced communications within Project Team
- PPPL and ORNL have evaluated out-year staffing requirements and are committed to meeting these
- New systems in place for tracking and reporting status of NCSX Project
- Project Manager, Responsible Line Managers and Job Managers are being held accountable for managing within approved cost, schedule and technical baseline





#### MOST SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES MET, SOME REMAIN



- VACUUM VESSEL DESIGNED AND FABRICATED WITHIN TOLERANCES
- MODULAR COIL WINDING FORMS DESIGNED AND FABRICATED WITHIN TOLERANCES
  - FOURTEEN OF EIGHTEEN COILS FABRICATED, THREE IN PROCESS, LAST WILL BE STARTED SOON
- INITIAL PRE-ASSEMBLY TRIALS DEMONSTRATE THAT MODULAR COILS CAN BE ASSEMBLED WITHIN TOLERANCES
- DETAILED TESTS, MOCK-UPS AND PROTOTYPING ARE INCLUDED IN OUR GO-FORWARD PLANS
- DETAILED PLANS AND PROCEDURES FOR FIELD PERIOD AND MACHINE ASSEMBLY HAVE BEEN GENERATED

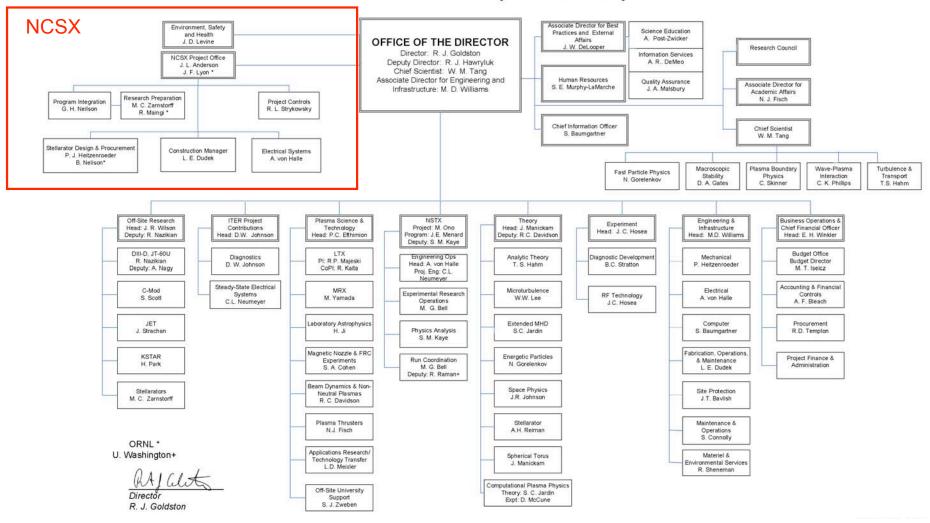




#### NCSX GIVEN HIGHEST PRIORITY



#### Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory





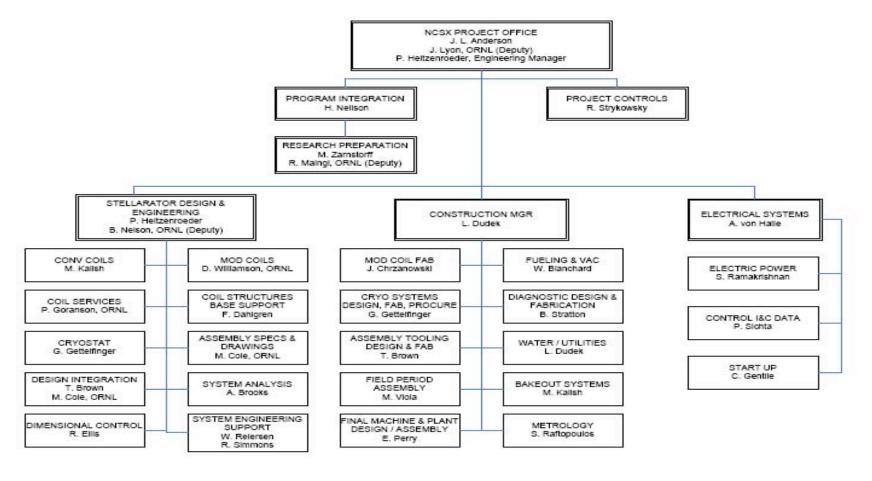


#### NCSX ORGANIZATION CHART



#### NCSX Organization

August 16, 2007







#### NCSX HAS BEEN COMPREHENSIVELY REVIEWED



Office of Science (Lehman) Review Dec.2006

Cost Estimate Review (Princeton Univ.)
May 2007

NCSX External Review (Princeton Univ.)
June 2007

Office of Science (Lehman) Review
Aug. 2007

Stellarator Science Review (FESAC)
Sept. 2007

Construction Review (current)Oct. 2007

Office of Science decision on proceeding
Dec. 2007

OECM Review tbd (External Independent Review)





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1. Is there a high level of confidence, based on the current state of design, that NCSX can be built and maintained within its required tolerances?

Yes! Design 87% completed; procurement and fabrication well advanced. Tests and trials have been successful. We will share with you, over the next two days, our achievements, approach and plans for accomplishing this.



