### Fuel Bank CP Answers

#### 1. Doesn’t solve for SMR’s or the gold standard-US industry is key to that-means they don’t solve nonprolif norms or cradle to grave-that’s Miller and Lieberman

#### Links to DA—GOP would freak out if you took off sanctions

#### 2. Other countries won’t accept it-empirics

Weiss, International Security and Cooperation affiliated scholar, 9

(Leonard, affiliated scholar at Stanford University's Center for International Security and Cooperation, "RELIABLE ENERGY SUPPLY AND NONPROLIFERATION," Nonproliferation Review, Vol. 16, No. 2, July 2009, http://cns.miis.edu/npr/pdfs/npr\_16-2\_weiss.pdf, accessed 9-30-12, mtf)

The problem of global warming has fostered much talk of a ‘‘nuclear renaissance’’ as

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complaints of discrimination and a class system for recipients that will be resented.

#### 3. Perm do both

#### 4. Obama already pushing and failing

Horner and Meier, Arms Control Today writers, 9

(Daniel and Oliver, “Talks on Fuel Bank Stalled at IAEA,” October 2009, <http://www.armscontrol.org/act/2009_10/fuelBank>, accessed 9-30-12, mtf)

Plans to establish an international nuclear fuel bank, a key part of nonproliferation programs

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largely indifferent or critical. (See ACT, January/February 2009.)

#### ENR is unique risk of prolif

Jones, senior fellow at the Bipartisan Policy Center and co-chairman of its Energy Project, 12

(Retired General James L, Former Security Advisor to Obama in 2009 and 2010, January 17, 2012, “US must remain leader in nuclear enrichment”, http://thehill.com/opinion/op-ed/204711-us-must-remain-leader-in-nuclear-enrichment-, 6/4/12, atl)

Achieving energy security is among our nation’s most pressing requirements in this still-young

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maintaining the safety, security and reliability of our nuclear capability is unacceptable.

2AC – Economy

#### Plan solves—manufacturing is the backbone of the economy

#### No impact to defense cuts-default to qualified experts

**Korb, former assistant secretary of defense under Reagan, 9-9-12**

(Lawrence, “Cuts Would Not Affect Security”, <http://www.nytimes.com/roomfordebate/2012/09/09/how-big-should-the-defense-budget-be/cuts-would-not-affect-security>, DOA: 11-10-12, ldg)

But the United States can afford defense cuts, without undermining national security, for

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spending, and our allies would account for about half of the rest.

#### Mid-east conflict doesn’t escalate- self-interest contains war. History overwhelmingly proves.

**Satloff**, Washington Institute for Near East Policy executive director, 12-19-200**6**

[Robert, "Forget the Domino Theories," www.washingtoninstitute.org/templateC06.php?CID=1011, accessed 10-2-10, mss]

The wise men (and woman) don't know their history. In boldly suggesting

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the aid of Muslims in danger inside Iraq will be the United States.

#### No impact—XO, agency reallocation, and gradual slope

**Khimm, Washington Post covers the budget, economic policy, and financial regulatory reform, 11/5**

(Suzy, November 5, 2012, “How the White House could soften the blow of the sequester”, http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/ezra-klein/wp/2012/11/05/how-the-white-house-could-soften-the-blow-of-the-sequester/, 11/11/12, atl)

Officials have compared the sequester to taking a “meat ax” to the budget

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House could take to delay the tax hikes from taking effect as well.)

#### Fed actions and compromise AND PC not key

**BNY Mellon, 10/25**

(BNY Mellon is a leading investment management and investment services company, uniquely focused to help clients manage and move their financial assets, October 25, 2012, “Fiscal Cliff Likely to Slow Growth, but Not Cause Recession, According to Standish”, http://www.sacbee.com/2012/10/25/4937539/fiscal-cliff-likely-to-slow-growth.html, 10/25/12, atl)

The U.S. fiscal cliff is not likely to send the economy into

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percent in 2012 to 1.4 percent in 2013," Higgins said.

#### Won’t pass parties have an incentive to go over the cliff AND no impact

**Barno, retired Army lieutenant general, 11-7-12**

(David, “Brace Yourself”, [www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2012/11/07/brace\_yourself?page=full](http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2012/11/07/brace_yourself?page=full), DOA: 11-10-12, ldg)

The national security establishment has focused primarily on the potential cuts to the Pentagon,

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reaching a broader consensus in 2013 about balancing the nation's revenues and expenditures.

#### Filibuster bill triggers the link

**Fram, AP Staff, 11-11-12**

(Alan, “GOP fight brewing over curbing filibusters”, [www.kansascity.com/2012/11/11/3911537/dems-gop-fight-brewing-over-curbing.html](http://www.kansascity.com/2012/11/11/3911537/dems-gop-fight-brewing-over-curbing.html), DOA: 11-11-12, ldg)

Dems, GOP fight brewing over curbing filibusters A brewing and potentially bitter fight over Democratic efforts to curb filibusters is threatening to inflame partisan tensions in the Senate, even as President Barack Obama and Republicans explore whether they can compromise on top tier issues such as debt reduction and taxes.

#### Or deal no matter what and their ev is brinkmanship-PC isn’t key.

**Vigna, Wall Street Journal, 10/22**

(Paul, October 22, 2012, “Don’t Fear the Fiscal Cliff, Morgan Stanley Says”, http://blogs.wsj.com/marketbeat/2012/10/22/dont-fear-the-fiscal-cliff-morgan-stanley-says/, 10/25/12, atl)

President Obama and Mitt Romney meet tonight for the third and final debate, and

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forced S&P to downgrade U.S. debt last summer.

#### Biden key- not Obama

**Chokshi, National Journal, 11-11-12**

(NIraj, “Fiscal Cliff To Be Decided by a Few Key Players”, [www.nationaljournal.com/budget/fiscal-cliff-to-be-decided-by-a-few-key-players-20121111](http://www.nationaljournal.com/budget/fiscal-cliff-to-be-decided-by-a-few-key-players-20121111), DOA: 11-11-12, ldg)

With decades of experience in the Senate and negotiating with other lawmakers, Biden will

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the Brookings Institution’s William Galston, a former policy adviser to President Clinton.

#### SMRs are bipartisan – DOE programs prove

**Domenici and Miller, Co-chairs of BPC Nuclear Initiative, 12**

(Pete and Warren, Senator, BPC senior fellow, and Former Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, “Maintaining U.S. Leadership in Global Nuclear Energy Markets: A Report of the Bipartisan Policy Center’s Nuclear Initiative,” July 2012, Bipartisan Policy Center, page 20, da 8-18-12, <http://bipartisanpolicy.org/sites/default/files/Leadership%20in%20Nuclear%20Energy%20Markets.pdf>, mee)

Strategic Goal: Historically, the United States has been a leader in nuclear technology

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related research, development, and deployment (RD&D) programs.

### Environmental Security K 2AC

#### Perm do both

#### No link we don’t talk about energy security

#### The causality of their impact is awful

**Ghughunishvili, CEU IR masters, 2010**

(Irina, “Securitization of Migration in the United States after 9/11: Constructing Muslims and Arabs as Enemies”, online pdf, ldg)

As provided by the Copenhagen School securitization theory is comprised by speech act, acceptance

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the same language as the securitizing actors and can relate to their speeches.

#### Politicization is critical to motivate responsible environmentalism – the alt alone risks irrelevancy

**Græger, Norwegian Institute of International Affairs head of Department of International Politics, 96**

(Nina, “Environmental Security?” Journal of Peace Research, Vol. 33, No. 1 (Feb., 1996), pp. 109-116, 9/1/12, atl)

Others have argued, on the contrary, that by including a non-military

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of popular mobilization is likely to depend heavily on perceptions of its efficacy.

#### Portraying eco-damage as “extinction level” is a crucial communication act that forestalls complete extinction – it solves their turn because it sparks a new social ethic

**Epstein, New York University School of Law Laurence A. Tisch Professor of Law, 09**

(Richard J., “The Threat That Dare Not Speak Its Name; Human Extinction” Perspectives in Biology and Medicine Vol. 52, No. 1, Winter 2009, 9/13/12, atl)

Final ends for all species are the same, but the journeys will be different

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now all too often dismiss as "human nature" (Tudge 1989).

### Environmental Security K 2AC

#### Security discourse is inevitable – rejection of environmentalism cedes power to the elites

**Liftin, University of Washington Political Science Professor, 98**

(Karen T., “Constructing Environmental Security and Ecological Interdependence”, Global Governance 5 (1998), 9/1/12, atl)

It may be tempting to jettison environmental security, but there are strong practical and

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discourse, they must be conscious of how they construct their speech acts.

#### K provides no post-structuralist alternative – defer to specific instances of security discourse

**Burke, University of New South Wales Senior Lecturer in International Relations, 07**

(Anthony, June 2007, “What security makes possible: Some thoughts on critical security studies” Working Paper – Department of International Relations Australian National University, 9/2/12, atl)

The Copenhagen School’s analyses open a door, however briefly, to an important insight

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defined and practiced in normatively better ways, and kept under continual scrutiny.

#### Environmental security is distinct from and helps usurp aggressive securitization discourse – it’s defensive nature makes it pragmatically and morally acceptable

**Floyd, University of Warwick British Academy Postdoctoral Fellow, 12**

(Rita, January 20, 2012, “Climate Change, Environmental Security Studies and the Morality of Climate Security”, http://www.e-ir.info/2012/01/20/climate-change-environmental-security-studies-and-the-morality-of-climate-security/, 9/1/12, atl)

Today environmental security includes at least six distinct approaches, whereby scholars ‘approach’ the

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simply left to discuss Kaplan’s ‘The Coming Anarchy (1994)’.

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#### Loan guarantees are a key drivers of innovation without straining government finances

**Freed, Third Way Vice President for Clean Energy, 11**

(Josh, September 19, 2011, “When did Americans stop tolerating risk?”, <http://energy.nationaljournal.com/2011/09/solyndra-bad-bet-or-tip-of-the.php>, 9/16/12, atl)

The real question we should ask about Solyndra is, “When did Americans stop

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capitalism. Since when did China become better capitalists than the United States?

#### Electricity prices increasing now

Fahey, Associated Press, 2012

(Jonathan, “Electricity Prices Rise Despite Cheaper Costs For Utility Companies”, 7-11,[http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2012/07/11/electric-prices-rise-despite-cheap-production\_n\_1665946.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2012/07/11/electric-prices-rise-despite-cheap-production_n_1665946.html" \t "_blank), DOA: 11-7-12, ldg)

A plunge in the price of natural gas has made it cheaper for utilities to

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For the full year, electricity prices are expected to rise 2 percent.

### DA

#### Even if material is gathered it can’t be weaponized or dispersed.

**Burton et al., STRATFOR analyst, 2008**

(Fred, “Busting the Anthrax Myth,” 7-30, <http://www.stratfor.com/weekly/busting_anthrax_myth>, ldg)

While it is certainly true that there are many different types of actors who can

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rise and fall of the use of chlorine in militant attacks in Iraq.

### A2: Delay

#### No impact to delay and deal inevitable

**Washington Post 10-26-12**

(“What happens if we go over the fiscal cliff briefly”, [www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/ezra-klein/wp/2012/10/26/what-happens-if-we-go-over-the-fiscal-cliff-briefly/](http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/ezra-klein/wp/2012/10/26/what-happens-if-we-go-over-the-fiscal-cliff-briefly/), DOA: 11-10-12, ldg)

Economists agree that it would take a little while for the fallout to take effect

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navigate around the debt ceiling, then the economy will descend back into recession

#### Comprehensive analysis proves there’s no impact

Plumer, Writer, Washington Post, 9-24

(Brad, "Are fears of the fiscal cliff hurting the economy? Maybe not.," September 24, 2012, http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/ezra-klein/wp/2012/09/24/are-fears-of-the-fiscal-cliff-hurting-the-economy-maybe-not/, d/a 9-26-12, ZML)

And perhaps Congress’s dilly-dallying on the fiscal cliff really is creating a spate

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even if things get tense and the haggling goes down to the deadline.

### Links

#### Bipartisan support for SMR’s

Sullivan, et al., partner, Hogan Lovells’ LLP, 10

(Mary Anne, partner in Hogan Lovells' energy practice in Washington, D.C., Daniel F. Stenger is a partner in Hogan Lovells' energy practice, Amy C. Roma is a senior associate in Hogan Lovells' energy practice, “Are Small Reactors the Next Big Thing in Nuclear?” 12-21-10, <http://www.elp.com/index/display/article-display/3288852302/articles/electric-light-power/volume-88/issue-6/sections/are-small-reactors-the-next-big-thing-in-nuclear.html>, accessed 9-20-12, ara)

SMRs have enjoyed bipartisan support in Congress. The House Committee on Science and Technology and the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee have approved similar legislation designed to promote the development and deployment of SMRs along the lines the DOE has proposed. Promoting SMR development in legislation has its price. The Congressional Budget Office recently estimated that the Senate bill would cost $407 million over the next five years to support cost-sharing programs with private companies for the development of two standard SMR designs. Costs for the out-years were not included in the estimate, but the bill would require the DOE to obtain NRC design certifications for the reactors by 2018 and to secure combined construction and operating licenses by Jan. 1, 2021. If Congress can pass an energy bill, it seems likely the bill will support SMRs. Even in the absence of new authorizing legislation, however, appropriations bills that must be passed to keep the government running almost certainly will contain strong support for the DOE's research and development program for SMRs.