DEVELOPMENT OF COMPACT WASTE DESTRUCTION SYSTEM

| Project Name | Plasma Arc Waste Destruction System (PAWDS)  
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|              | Phase 1 – Advanced Technology Demonstration (ATD)  
|              | Phase 2 – Engineering Development Model (EDM)  
| Customer     | US Navy, Naval Surface Warfare Center, Carderock Division  
| Location     | Montreal, Quebec  
| Delivery     | Phase 1 – ATD (1999-2002)  
|              | Phase 2 – EDM (2002-2008)  
| Products/Services | PAWDS, APT Plasma Torch, Development Services, Reactors  
| Capacity     | 200 kg/h  
| Feed         | Combustible solid waste  
|              | (paper, plastic, cardboard, wood, clothing, etc.)  
| Energy       | n/a  
| PyroGenesis Role | Contract Research, including Process and Equipment Design and Build, Testing, Reporting.  
| Other stakeholders | Phase 1: Geo-Centers, John J. McMullen and Associates (now Alion)  
|              | Phase 2: Canadian Commercial Corporation  

In 1999, PyroGenesis won a bid to become the US Navy’s partner in the development of a compact, simple to operate waste destruction system for the CVN 21 programme for their future generation aircraft carrier. Over the following decade, our team worked hand in hand with US Navy personnel on developing and refining the technology for commercial deployment on what is now know as the Gerald R. Ford class of aircraft carrier.
A 60-day test on the EDM equipment in Montreal was performed by sailors from the CVN-70 USS Carl Vinson. Based on the success of this work, the US Navy decided to specify PAWDS into the design of all of the Ford Class ships. Two PAWDS have been ordered to date by the Navy’s prime contractor, Newport News Shipbuilding (CVN-78 USS Gerald R. Ford, CVN-79 USS John F. Kennedy).