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We designed the Kilopower reactors to generate anywhere from one to ten

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kilowatts of electrical power. This is enough to power several Earth-based

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homes. The nice thing about it is it's lightweight it's compact so we can put

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it pretty much anywhere we want to. So the reason we need so much power in

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space is for things that we don't normally need on Earth, creating oxygen

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or creating propellant for astronauts to leave the surface of where they're at. So

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there's several other factors that come into play when we're putting

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humans on the surface of another planet for survival that you just need extra

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power for. So the next steps for Kilopower are going to be getting it into a flight.

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Whether we put it into space or whether we put it on another surface of another

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planet we really need to take that next  
step into in the flight development. We

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want to make sure that the reactor  
worked the way we had modeled. There's

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physical models and there's analytical  
models our analytical models told us

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that the reactor would would perform a  
certain way when we we put different

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loads on, different power loads on it  
and when we got to the test and we

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repeated what was in the experiment plan the  
models matched the the real-life data

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and in some cases was actually better  
than real-life data. So no matter what we