

CONTRACTOR ACTIVATION GUIDE

Vulcana Dynamics Ltd.

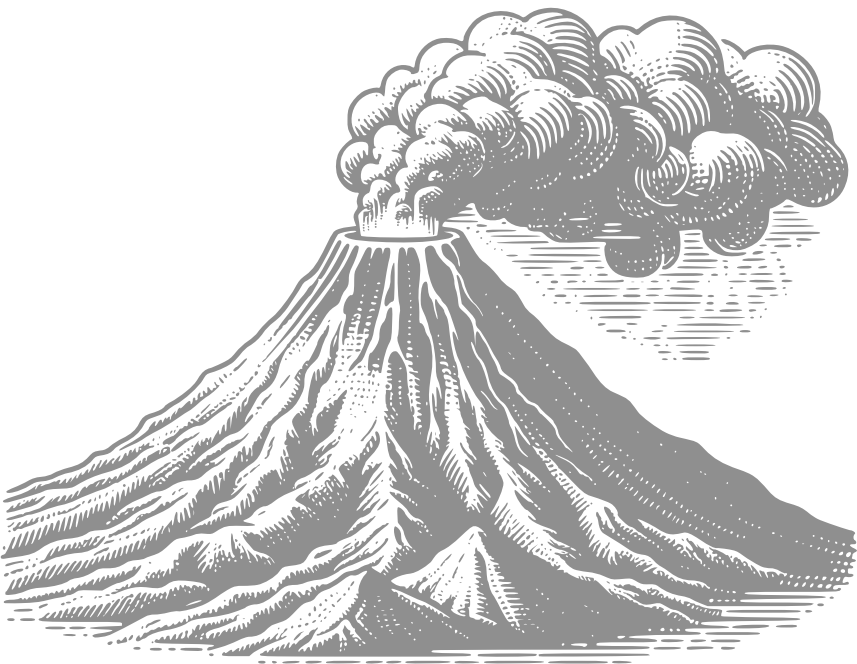


Activation

Your team is being activated as part of the operations team for Vulcana Dynamics Ltd. (VDL); the sole power utility responsible for electricity generation, transmission, and distribution across the Kaldera Archipelago. This is a strategically vital island chain in a contested maritime zone. Built on the extraordinary geothermal resources of the archipelago's volcanic geology, VDL has operated the grid for decades as the sole bulk electricity service across the island chain.

The archipelago's only defense against airspace and maritime intrusion is its Island Defense Radar Network: a pair of long-range radar installations on outlying islands, dependent entirely on uninterrupted electrical power from the VDL grid. No secondary power grid or backup generation exists at the radar sites. If the grid fails, the islands and the radar go dark.

The Island Defense Radar Network provides 360-degree surveillance coverage across the Kaldera Archipelago. It is the archipelago's only early-warning system. Two radar installations, one on the northern atoll and one on the southern reef, feed continuous tracking data to the Air Defense Operations Centre on Kaldera Main.

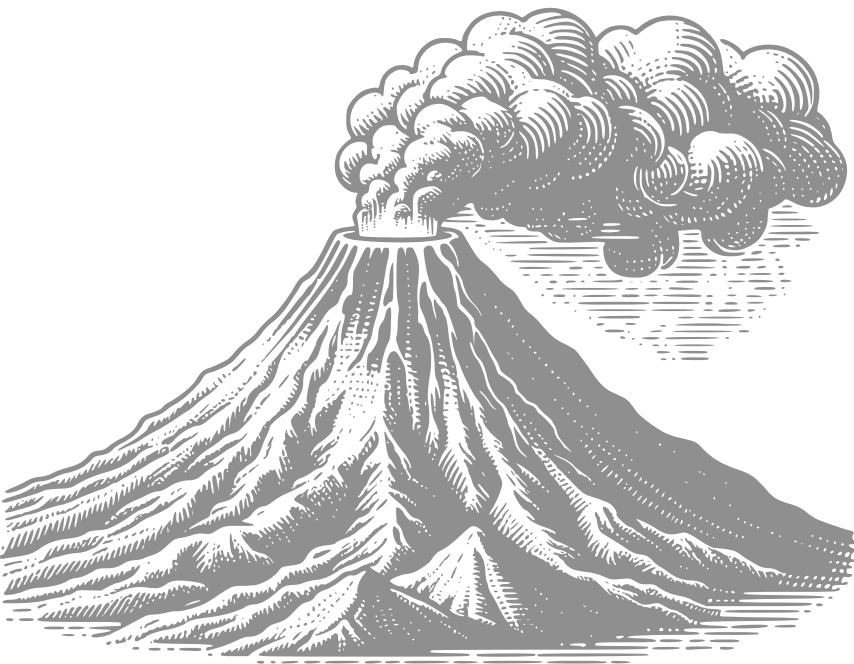


Current Status

As of last night, the grid experienced an outage of approximately two minutes and thirty-six seconds. It is currently unknown as to what caused this outage. The system is back up and running, but VDL must ensure no malicious activity was behind this outage. Your team has control of the entire power system. The grid is live, the radar is operational, and conditions in the field are already showing signs of stress.

Under the Defense Infrastructure Partnership Act, VDL is legally designated as a Critical National Infrastructure Operator, carrying obligations that go well beyond keeping the lights on for civilian customers. When the defense authority calls, VDL answers.

Decisions will need to be made quickly and under pressure. Some response options are fast but carry risk. Others are safe but cost time and output. There is rarely a perfect answer, only better and worse tradeoffs. The teams that win communicate clearly, protect the defense feed above all else, and never let a small problem become a cascade.



Contract Period

Start: Monday, October 26, 2026 - 6:00pm CT

End: Saturday, November 14, 2026 - 6:00pm CT

Team Requirements

Your team should have no less than 4 but no more than 6 team members.

Budget

No additional funding will be provided for this contracted period. All solutions should be considered widely available.

