



Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR) Quarterly Site Report for Rosyth Royal Dockyard

Report for period 01 April – 30 June 2014

Foreword

This report is issued as part of ONR's commitment to make information about inspection and regulatory activities relating to the above site available to the public. Reports are distributed quarterly to members for the Local Liaison Committee and are also available on the ONR website (<http://www.onr.org.uk/llic/>).

Site inspectors from ONR usually attend Local Liaison Committee meetings and will respond to any questions raised there. Any person wishing to inquire about matters covered by this report should contact ONR.

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1 INSPECTIONS

1.1 Dates of inspection

The ONR site inspector made visits to the site on the following dates during the quarter:

30 April 2014
13 – 15 May 2014

An ONR specialist inspector visited the site on the 30 April 2014.

2 ROUTINE MATTERS

2.1 Inspections

Inspections are undertaken as part of the process for monitoring compliance with:

- the conditions attached by ONR to the nuclear site licence granted under the Nuclear Installations Act 1965 (NIA65) (as amended);
- the provisions of the Energy Act 2013
- the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 (HSWA74); and
- regulations made under HSWA74, for example the Ionising Radiations Regulations 1999 (IRR99) and the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999 (MHSWR99).

The inspections entail monitoring licensee's actions on the site in relation to incidents, operations, maintenance, projects, modifications, safety case changes and any other matters that may affect safety. The licensee is required to make and implement adequate arrangements under the conditions attached to the licence in order to ensure legal compliance. Inspections seek to judge both the adequacy of these arrangements and their implementation.

In this period, routine inspections of (site/station) covered the following:

Radiological Protection
Radioactive Waste Management
Decommissioning

Radiological Protection

The radiological protection inspection consisted of a review of the management system for Licence Condition 18 and supporting evidence of compliance. The review identified some minor issues surrounding the management system and advised that the occupational category used for the Central Index of Dose Information be revised to reflect the current work carried out on the licensed site. In general ONR considered the arrangements for Licence Condition 18 and their implementation to be adequate.

Radioactive Waste Management

The radioactive waste management inspection consisted of a review of the management system for Licence Conditions 32, 33 and 34 and supporting evidence of compliance. The inspection found some minor issues around record keeping, but considered the records kept regarding waste to be adequate. The inspection of the facilities identified some minor issues around waste storage (such as Low Level Waste drums stacked inappropriately, use of wooden pallets in a controlled contamination area, operational items stored in the waste area). These were addressed by the licensee during the visit. The inspection also identified some issues surrounding the arrangements for monitoring the condition of Intermediate Level Waste

(ILW) waste drums stored in the facility. These drums are stored in an engineered pit within the Active Waste Accumulation Facility and are not regularly examined to confirm the integrity of the drums is maintained, nor are the pits checked to ensure the environment remains suitable for ILW waste storage (e.g. confirming no water ingress).

Decommissioning

The decommissioning inspection consisted of a review of the management system for Licence Condition 35 and supporting evidence of compliance. The site has a clear strategy for the decommissioning of the site, but the inspection found that the formal strategy document had not been updated to reflect this following the decision to carry out submarine dismantling work on the site. The inspection also found that the written arrangements to control decommissioning did not reflect the current practice on the site and required updating.

In general, ONR judged the arrangements made and implemented by the site in response to safety requirements to be adequate in the areas inspected. However, where improvements were considered necessary, the licensee made satisfactory commitments to address the issues, and the site inspector will monitor progress during future visits. Where necessary, ONR will take formal regulatory enforcement action to ensure that appropriate remedial measures are implemented to reasonably practicable timescales.

2.2 Other work

Local Liaison Committee

The site inspector and specialist inspector covering the Nuclear Reactors (Environmental Impact Assessment for Decommissioning) Regulations (EIADR) attended the site Local Liaison Committee. The EIADR specialist inspector gave a brief presentation on the EIADR process and consultation ongoing at the site. The site inspector outlined the inspection programme for the site and invited any questions.

3 NON-ROUTINE MATTERS

Licensees are required to have arrangements to respond to non-routine matters and events. ONR inspectors judge the adequacy of the licensee's response, including actions taken to implement any necessary improvements.

There were no such matters or events of significance during the period.

4 REGULATORY ACTIVITY

ONR inspectors, specialist inspectors and HSE inspectors may issue formal documents to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements. Under nuclear site licence conditions, ONR issues regulatory documents, which either permit an activity or require some form of action to be taken; these are usually collectively termed 'Licence Instruments' (LIs), but can take other forms. In addition, inspectors may issue Enforcement Notices to secure improvements to safety.

- No LIs or Enforcement Notices were issued during the period.

5 NEWS FROM ONR

Insight into ONR's work as an independent regulator of the nuclear industry can be found in ONR's Quarterly News. The online publication (<http://www.onr.org.uk/onr-quarterly-report.htm>) reports on the key themes and developments in each of ONR's regulatory programmes and

provides an update about the ongoing changes at ONR. <http://www.onr.org.uk/index.htm>.
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