



Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR) Quarterly Site Report for Studsvik Metal Recycling Facility

Report for period 1 January – 31 March 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 Studsvik Metal Recycling Facility Local Liaison Panel and are also available on the ONR website (<http://www.onr.org.uk/lc/>).

Site inspectors from ONR usually attend Studsvik Metal Recycling Facility Local Liaison Panel 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 and other ONR Inspectors conducted interventions on the following dates during the quarter:

January	14 th , 21 st
February	26 th
March	20 th

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 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 at the Studsvik Metal Recycling Facility (MRF) have concentrated on the storage, accumulation and consignment of material on the facility site. ONR welcomes the effort being undertaken at Studsvik MRF to address some of the recent problems associated with the accumulation and storage of material across the facility site. The ONR Site Inspector will be reviewing the improvements that are currently being implemented during visits to the site during the next report period.

2.2 Other work

Studsvik MRF during the report period notified ONR of proposals for a major reorganisation of the Studsvik management structure. The documentation outlining the proposed changes have been reviewed by ONR and discussed with Studsvik MRF. Studsvik MRF has confirmed that the command and control of operations at Studsvik MRF will remain with the Studsvik UK organisation and board. Studsvik UK is the current licensee for the Studsvik MRF and it is anticipated that the Studsvik UK command and control arrangements will be augmented by the proposed changes.

Under Licence Condition 11(2) "Emergency Arrangements" ONR can specify that Studsvik MRF shall submit the Emergency Plan for the facility for formal ONR Approval. ONR uses this power for all licensees to allow ONR to formally review the adequacy of the MRF Emergency Plan and ensures that no subsequent changes to the Emergency Plan can be made without ONR Approval. During this period this process for the Studsvik MRF Emergency Plan has been completed.

In addition updates have been obtained and discussions held on various other aspects of operations on the Studsvik MRF site. None of the matters discussed were considered to require immediate regulatory action. However a number of issues will be discussed further with Studsvik MRF during planned interventions with the site within the next report period.

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.

Information on the non routine matters and events that occurred on the Studsvik MRF site during the report period has been provided to ONR. ONR considers that Studsvik MRF has adequately investigated the events and taken appropriate measures to address issues arising. However a number of actions being undertaken by Studsvik MRF to address some of the issues raised will be followed up by the ONR Site Inspector during the next reporting 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.

The following LIs and Enforcement Notices (Table 1) have been issued during the period:

Table 1
Licence Instruments and Enforcement Notices Issued by ONR during this period

Date	Type	Ref No	Description
11.02.2014	Specification	508	Specification to submit Studsvik MRF Emergency Plan for Approval
11.02.2014	Approval	509	Approval of Studsvik MRF Emergency Plan

Reports detailing the above regulatory decisions can be found on the ONR website at <http://www.onr.org.uk/pars/>.

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>. For the latest news and updates from ONR visit the website and sign up for our ebulletin (<http://www.onr.org.uk/ebulletin/index.htm>).

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