



Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR) Quarterly Site Report for Trawsfynydd

Report for period 1 January to 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 Trawsfynydd SSG and are also available on the ONR website (<http://www.onr.org.uk/llc/>).

Site inspectors from ONR usually attend Trawsfynydd SSG 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 inspections on the following dates during the quarter:

- 26 to 27 February
- 17 to 20 March

An ONR human and organisational capability specialist inspector made an inspection on the following dates during the quarter:

- 26 to 27 February

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 of (site/station) covered the following:

- Examination, maintenance, inspection and testing; Management of maintenance (including monitoring of maintenance activities to ensure that they are delivered according to schedule, and removing plant from service if it has not been possible to successfully complete maintenance activities) is good.

In addition, the ONR site inspector inspected the implementation of the safety case for the storage of fuel element debris (FED), concluding that storage of FED in both the north and south FED vaults meets the requirements of the safety case.

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.

An ONR human and organisational capability specialist inspector visited site as part of the work to monitor and close out ONR's internal challenge intervention with Magnox Limited.

The inspection reviewed site progress in implementing the improvement actions arising from ONR’s intervention and looked at the culture of challenge on site. Overall it was judged that Magnox Limited was progressing well with the actions from ONR’s intervention. However, implementation of the new and revised assurance arrangements will require further monitoring and bedding in over time.

2.2 Other work

The site inspector held periodic meetings with safety representatives, to support their function of representing employees and receiving information on matters affecting their health, safety and welfare at work.

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.

LIs were issued for all Magnox Limited sites in this period, to permission the proposed organisational changes resulting from the Magnox Limited parent body organisation (PBO) competition transition.

- The following LI was issued during the period:

Table 1

Licence Instruments and Enforcement Notices Issued by ONR during this period

Date	Type	Ref No	Description
31/01/14	Agreement	525	Agreement to management of change for the Magnox Limited PBO competition transition

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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