



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

Report for period 01 January – 31 March 2015

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/lc/>).

Site inspectors from ONR usually attend Local Liaison 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:

14 to 16 January 2014.

14 February 2014.

18 March 2014.

ONR specialist inspectors in Radiation Protection visited the site on the following dates during the quarter:

14 January 2015.

18 March 2015

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:

- management of operations including control and supervision;
- modifications to plant, equipment and safety cases;
- plant construction and/or commissioning;

Management of Operations including Control and Supervision

A compliance inspection was carried out to assess whether the control and supervision of work that may affect safety is considered to meet the requirements of the relevant licence condition. During the course of the inspection, ONR confirmed that personnel in roles that may affect safety are identified, and that staff appointed to these roles are adequately trained and qualified; that operations that may affect safety are undertaken in line with defined arrangements that clearly specify the level of control and supervision required; and that where LC26 control and supervision is required that these arrangements are adequate and are implemented in practice. The licensee is also implementing improvements (in line with issues raised from previous inspections) to improve the clarity of definition and listing of those operations with the potential to affect safety. ONR concluded that the arrangements for LC26 are adequate.

Construction or Installation of New Plant, Modification to Design of Plant under Construction, Commissioning and Modification or Experiment on Existing Plant

The LC19, LC20, LC21 and LC22 inspection confirmed that the fundamental requirements of the Licence Conditions were met, but that there were some procedural weaknesses in relation to LC22, Modification or Experiment on Existing Plant. In particular a number of new plant and modifications were identified through the site familiarisation process, that were not captured through the formal site arrangements, and the categorisation criteria within the site procedures did not align with expectations in ONR guidance. The arrangements for LC22 were therefore judged to be below standard and the site has already implemented changes required to ensure that these arrangements are improved. The arrangements for LC19, LC20 and LC 21 were judged to be adequate.

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

The Site Inspector held a periodic meeting with safety representatives, to support their function of representing employees and receiving information on matters affecting their health, safety and welfare at work.

The Site Inspector attended a number of meetings during the above site visits to monitor progress against issues on the site.

ONR Specialist Radiation Protection Inspectors attended site to discuss the technical details related to de-licencing of Dock Number 3 and the licensee's demonstration that there is no residual radioactivity of concern in the area of site to be removed by the variation to the site licence. Apart from some minor technical issues the area identified as Dock Number 3 appeared to be suitable for de-licencing on submission of an acceptable de-licencing case.

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 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 have been issued during the period:

Table 1

Licence Instruments and Enforcement Notices Issued by ONR during this period

Date	Type	Ref No	Description
09/03/2015	Variation No 4	ROS 70364	De-licensing the RSAW Area of the Rosyth Nuclear Licensed Site

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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