



Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR) Quarterly Site Report for Dungeness A

Report for period 1 April to 30 June 2018

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 Dungeness Site Stakeholder Group and are also available on the ONR website (<http://www.onr.org.uk/llic/>).

Site inspectors from ONR may attend Dungeness Site Stakeholder Group 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 planned inspections on the following dates during the quarter:

- 22nd to 24th May 2018

1.2 ONR held meetings with Dungeness on the following dates during the quarter:

None

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);
- 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 Nuclear Industry Security Regulations (NISR) 2003.

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 conditions attached to the licence in order to ensure legal compliance. Inspections seek to judge both the adequacy of these arrangements and their implementation.

The inspection in May comprised a combined LC 12 & 36 compliance inspection including discussions with Magnox staff, a walk-down of the site and reviews of relevant records and documentation.

During the inspection, the management arrangements for the authorisation of selected staff, the arrangements for determining whether an individual is suitably qualified and experienced and training records relating to key operational personnel were examined. The organisation structure and the licensee's arrangements for confirming that adequate organisation resources were being made available were also reviewed.

ONR judged that, on the evidence examined, the licensee has adequate arrangements in place for authorisation and that that adequate human resources were being made available.

During the inspection a visit was being undertaken by senior members of the Magnox Ltd management team. The ONR site inspector was able to meet with them and discuss the issues with asset management that are being experienced with the site. A great deal of work is currently being put into assessing the best approach to adopt for decommissioning the site, however no final decision has been taken yet.

2.2 Other work

A number of minor incidents occurred during commissioning of the waste sludge and resin retrieval system. Based on previous regulatory discussions the project team had undertaken a thorough review of the system, documentation and procedures and had identified a number

of improvements and corrections to documentation. A great many of these were minor in nature, however the project had halted the commissioning of the system whilst these issues were being addressed. ONR was satisfied that this action should prevent any further incidents during commissioning.

3 NON-ROUTINE MATTERS

Licensees are required to have arrangements to respond to non-routine matters and events and report significant events to ONR. ONR inspectors judge the adequacy of the licensee's response, including actions taken to implement any necessary improvements. No matters of significance were reported during this 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' but can take other forms. In addition, inspectors may issue Enforcement Notices to secure improvements to safety.

There have been no formal notices or Lis issued during this quarter.

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

5 NEWS FROM ONR

Stakeholder Engagement

On 9 May we held our ONR annual Industry Conference, with the theme - 'Public Safety – everyone's responsibility.' Delegates from more than 45 different organisations attended, and we were delighted that Richard Harrington, Parliamentary under Secretary of State, Minister for Business and Industry, was able to join us to deliver a keynote speech. The conference provided us with an opportunity to engage directly with senior representatives from across industry and government on a number of topical and strategic issues affecting the sector.

As part of our continued stakeholder engagement work, we welcomed finance professionals from a number of nuclear site licensees and dutyholders to seminars in London and Birmingham in June. Led by our Finance Director, Sarah High, we hosted the seminars to provide the industry with a better understanding of our charging methodology, the principles we apply, and how the charging process works. To accompany the seminars we have also published a new booklet – How we charge for Nuclear Regulation – which is available on our website.

The next ONR/NGO engagement forum will take place on 11 October in London. This is a forum to discuss strategic, cross-cutting regulatory matters. Site specific matters are normally addressed via Site Stakeholder Groups. We are always keen to engage with a range of stakeholders and groups on nuclear safety and security issues, so if you do represent a nuclear-interest Non-Governmental Organisation, and are not already involved through our forum or via a Site Stakeholder Group, then please get in touch with the ONR Communications team for further details, via contact@onr.gov.uk

Regulatory News

A delegation from ONR, led by Chief Nuclear Inspector Mark Foy, supported the UK's contribution to the 6th Joint Convention review meeting in Vienna. Bringing together 78

countries from around the world, the Joint Convention on the Safety of Spent Fuel Management and the Safety of Radioactive Waste Management is the world's leading international forum for ensuring society and the environment are protected from hazards arising from spent fuel and radioactive waste. Further details can be found on the IAEA website.

In August Mark Foy, will host a webinar on the outcome of the UK report to the joint convention. Further details on how to sign up for the webinar will be advertised on our website and social media channels over the coming weeks.

We have notified Sellafield Ltd of our intention to prosecute the company for offences under Section 2 (1) of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act (1974). The charge relates to an incident on 5 February, 2017, at a facility which handles special nuclear materials, which resulted in personal contamination to a Sellafield Ltd employee. The decision to prosecute follows an ONR investigation into the incident

In May we awarded the contract for delivery of the UK Nuclear Safeguards Information Management and Reporting System (SIMRS) IT system to Axis 12 Ltd. The IT system is necessary for us to establish a domestic safeguards regime after the UK's withdrawal from the Euratom Treaty. The government has now launched the consultation on Nuclear Safeguards Regulation, further details can be found on our website.

Corporate News

In May we published a self-assessment exercise to update on how well our activity currently aligns with the Regulators' Code, which came into effect in April 2014 to provide a framework for how regulators should engage with those they regulate. The full report is available on our website.

In June we published our Annual Report and Accounts highlighting the extent of our regulatory activities. During the 17/18 year over 1,000 inspections were carried out across 36 licensed sites and transport dutyholders, ensuring the required standards of safety and security were met to protect the public and workers. The full report is available on our website.

In July we published our second gender pay report. The organisation-wide results show that ONR has a mean gender pay gap of 35.2%, which is wider than last year, although it is broadly similar to the rest of the UK nuclear industry and anticipated given our workforce profile, and that of the industries from which we have historically recruited. ONR is committed to addressing this issue and continues to focus on improving diversity and inclusion.

Our Chief Executive, Adrienne Kelbie, has agreed a three-year contract extension, taking her term of employment to January 2022.

For the latest news and updates from ONR, you can visit our website and sign up for our e-bulletin: <http://www.onr.org.uk/index.htm>.

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