



# Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR) Site Report for HM Naval Base Clyde

Report for period 1 July to 30 September 2017

## 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 to members for the Clyde Local Liaison Committee and are also available on the ONR website (<http://www.onr.org.uk/lc/>).

Site inspectors from ONR usually attend Clyde Local Liaison Committee meetings where these reports are presented 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

The majority of sites inspected by ONR are licensed under the Nuclear Installations Act 1965. HM Naval Base Clyde is not a licensed site, although it operates under authorisation from the Ministry of Defence (MOD) Defence Nuclear Safety Regulator (DNSR). The site comprises the Faslane and Coulport facilities and is regulated by ONR through other legislation as noted below. This report summarises the inspection and regulatory activities associated with HM Naval Base Clyde which are co-ordinated with inspections by DNSR.

### 1.1 Dates of inspection

ONR inspectors made inspections on the following dates during the report period:

- 29 August 2017
- 12-14 September 2017

## 2 ROUTINE MATTERS

### 2.1 Inspections

Inspections are undertaken as part of the process for monitoring compliance with the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 (HSWA74); and regulations made under HSWA74, for example the Ionising Radiations Regulations 1999 (IRR99), the Radiation (Emergency Preparedness and Public Information) Regulations 2001 (REPPiR), and the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999 (MHSWR99).

In September, the site held a Level 1 Demonstration Emergency Exercise i.e. an exercise that concentrates primarily on the operator's actions on and off the site. As is the normal practice for such exercises on a MOD Authorised Site, ONR supported DNSR in assessing the exercise. This enables ONR to inspect for the demonstration of adequate emergency plan as required by REPPiR. The exercise demonstration was considered to be an adequate demonstration of the on-site emergency arrangements by DNSR. ONR identified learning points with respect to the management of the incident command and control centre, for which it will seek improvement.

### 2.2 Other work

The Site Inspector attended the Annual Review of Safety meeting where HMNB Clyde undertook a review of safety performance over the past year, observed by regulators, including ONR. The ONR inspector present was satisfied that a comprehensive and challenging review of safety had been carried out by site.

## 3 NON-ROUTINE MATTERS

Licensees / authorisees are required to have arrangements to respond to non-routine matters and events. ONR inspectors judge the adequacy of the licensee's / authorisee'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. No such documents were issued during the period.

## 5 NEWS FROM ONR

ONR Chief Nuclear Inspector, Dr Richard Savage, has announced he will be stepping down after two years in the role for family reasons. ONR has appointed Mark Foy, current Director of our Operating Facilities Division, as Acting Chief Nuclear Inspector (CNI) with effect from 30 October. ONR expects to appoint a permanent Chief Nuclear Inspector towards the end of 2017, subject to ministerial approval.

ONR will soon launch its new newsletter containing the latest news and developments from across the organisation. If you would like to receive this, please subscribe on the ONR website (<http://www.onr.org.uk/ebulletin/index.htm>).

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