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Closure of Regulatory Observation – RO-ABWR-0047 – Wet Lifting Beams

I refer to Regulatory Observation RO-ABWR-0047 – Wet Lifting Beams that was issued on 6 May 2015.

I am writing to confirm the closure of this Regulatory Observation on the basis that Hitachi-GE has undertaken an adequate optioneering review of wet lifting beams. I am satisfied with Hitachi-GE's proposed modification to ensure that all wet lifting beams shall be made from stainless steel and that nylon slings will not be used for class 1 lifting operations.

Reference documents supporting this Regulatory Observation are set out below:

- 1. HGNE COMMERCIAL UK ABWR GA91-9201-0003-00848 M2E-UK-0013 Rev 0 A List of all Wet Lifting Beams and their Materials of Construction (Result of RO-ABWR-0047 Action 2-1).
- 2. HGNE COMMERCIAL UK ABWR GA91-9201-0003-01000 M2E-UK-0023 Rev 0 The Optioneering study report (Response to RO-ABWR-0047 Action 2-2) 30 October 2015.
- 3. HGNE COMMERCIAL GA91-9201-0003-01477 M2A-UK-0002 Rev 0 Design Manual for Wet Lifting Beams 26 August 2016

A copy of this letter will be published on the ONR website in due course.