



Hinkley Point Site Stakeholder Group

**Hinkley Point Site Stakeholder Group Meeting
Friday 25 February 2011**

**Hinkley Point A Site Director's report for the period
29 October 2010 – 24 February 2011**

1. SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

The site has now gone over 1352 days without a lost time accident and over 30 months without a personal contamination event.

2. DECOMMISSIONING PROGRESS

Settling Tanks

Following completion of the Multi Attribute Decision Making Analysis session in May 2010, the site completed a BPEO workshop for all Intermediate Level Waste Streams in January 2011. The workshop was attended by three SSG members. The session allowed the MiniStores strategy to be compared to other available technologies for processing Intermediate Level Waste streams. The results of the workshop will be issued to attendees in the near future.

Systems and Structures Preservation Project

Work continues to ensure the continued integrity of the assets we require and the removal of those we no longer need. Since the last report, the electrical decommissioning team have completed the electrical isolation of the Turbine Hall basement. The resupply of the Substation 8 415V switchboard was completed successfully removing the need for an 11kV supply from B station. In addition, the design has been completed for the installation of wireless controls on the low level waste store cranes and the contract awarded for their installation.

Upcoming work includes the removal of the pipe bridges between R1 west and R2 east blower houses and the removal of the shield cooling vent stacks and the draining and removal of 26 redundant oil filled transformers.

Asbestos

Work continues to clear areas identified in the site's asbestos management plan.

Electrical Overlay System

As reported previously the Electrical Overlay System is now fully in-service and providing electrical supplies across the site. Final close-out is in progress.

Turbine Hall

A formal agreement has been signed by EDF Energy, Magnox and the NDA to enable spoil arising from early preparatory work on proposed Hinkley Point C land to be used to backfill the void in the turbine hall.

This will massively reduce the number of lorries that could have been travelling on local roads to take the spoil off-site and similarly avoid the need for the Hinkley A site to import material to fill the turbine hall in the future.

Extensive work has been carried out in the turbine hall already to prepare for the spoil deliveries. All remediation of asbestos in the turbine hall basement is now complete, electrical and mechanical services have been removed as well as all instrumentation. Further preparation work will include the removal of some structural steel work from the basement and the removal of the elevated flooring. This will create a safer and more unobstructed area for the spoil placement and compaction vehicles to work in.

This offers the best environmental option for EDF Energy, Hinkley Point A and the local community and offers a real cost saving to the NDA as the EDF Energy spoil is free of charge.

Car Park

The site is currently going through a risk mitigation process which is considering the loss of our current parking provision. As part of this process we are developing a concept design for a parking facility within the site licence boundary.

3. WASTE MANAGEMENT

Since April 2010 two half-height ISO containers and two full-height ISO containers were dispatched to the low level waste repository at Drigg in Cumbria.

601.754 tonnes of non radiological controlled waste was removed from site of which 472.23 tonnes was recycled - 78.54 %

4. COMPANY MATTERS

Magnox Ltd.

Magnox North and Magnox South have now legally joined to form one site license company, Magnox Ltd. Work to restructure the business is on-going.

In the proposed new structure Hinkley will sit under the 'optimum cost sites' wing along with Hunterston and Berkeley. Our Chief Operating Officer will be Gary Voorheis.

Neil Baldwin is the Managing Director of Magnox Ltd.

Restructuring

Following the reintegration of Magnox South and Magnox North restructuring of the business has recommenced. Staff are currently being counselled against the new structure which is planned to be in place by March 2012.

Other news

Deputy Site Director Rob Ledger has now left Hinkley Point A to work at Oldbury as Operations Manager. His duties are now being shared by the remaining lead team members.

Lee Talbot has joined the Hinkley A team to take the role of Project Delivery Manager.

5. COMMUNITY NEWS

Charity of the year

Since the last SSG the staff have managed to raise another £4000 for the neonatal special care baby unit at Musgrove. This brings our total to over £9,800. Our target is to raise £10,000 to enable the ward to buy a new incubator unit.

Parent Body Sponsorship

EnergySolutions have confirmed that they will be providing a £5000 sponsorship budget to be distributed at each site to local groups and communities. If you would like to more information about this scheme please contact Gemma Coombs on 01278 654231.

Magnox South Socio-economic Scheme

The Magnox South socio-economic scheme for 2010/11 is now closed. In total 22 formal bids totalling over £500,000 were received before the deadline. £122,500 worth of funding was awarded across Magnox South to eight projects. Two projects that received funding were from the Hinkley area, 'Into Somerset' was awarded £25,000 and the 'Bridgwater Retail Initiative' received £10,000.

We have no information about the 2011/12 socio-economic scheme at this time.

Other community news

There will be a Business Breakfast held on Friday 18 March to update the local business community on work at Hinkley Point A.