



Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR) Quarterly Site Report for Chapelcross

Report for period 1 October – 31 December 2016

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

Site inspectors from ONR attend Chapelcross Site Stakeholder Group meetings according to the Intervention Plan (normally annually) and can respond to any questions when there. Otherwise, any person wishing to inquire about matters covered by this report should contact ONR (<http://www.onr.org.uk/feedback.htm>)

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1. INSPECTIONS

1.1. Dates of inspection

The ONR site inspector attended meetings with Chapelcross on the following dates:

- 5th December 2016 - discussions on arrangements under Licence Condition 21

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);
- 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.

ONR currently considers Chapelcross to be a low nuclear hazard site and as a consequence, its compliance inspection policy for this site requires four interventions per year. Whilst no inspections have been carried out this quarter, the site inspector's interventions are on plan.

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. No such matters were reported to ONR within the period.

The visit to Chapelcross site undertaken on the 5th December 2016 covered discussions on Magnox Arrangements under Licence Condition 21 (Commissioning). This was to support future ONR engagement with Magnox.

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.

No LIs or Enforcement Notices were issued to Chapelcross within the reporting period.

Reports detailing regulatory decisions are available on the ONR website at <http://www.onr.org.uk/pars/>.

5. NEWS FROM ONR

5.1. External Stakeholder events

On 1 November 2016, ONR held its Industry Conference in London, which brought together senior leaders from across the nuclear sector. We were pleased to welcome Baroness Neville-Rolfe DBE CMG, Minister of State at the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) to this year's conference who delivered the keynote speech. A special edition of Regulation matters has been published following the conference, which provides a summary of how the day unfolded. As part of our commitment to engage regularly with all our stakeholder groups, we were pleased to welcome 17 representatives from a number of organisations to our ONR / NGO forum on 30 November in London. The event provided an opportunity for NGO representatives to meet with a number of senior ONR leaders, including our Chief Executive and Chief Nuclear Inspector, to discuss a number of priority issues.

5.2. Regulation Matters magazine

Insight into ONR's work as an independent regulator of the nuclear industry can be found in Regulation Matters. This quarterly online publication (<http://www.onr.org.uk/regulation-matters.htm>) reports on the key themes and developments in each of ONR's regulatory programmes and provides an update about the on-going changes at ONR. For the latest news and updates from ONR, you can also visit the website and sign up for our e-bulletin: <http://www.onr.org.uk/index.htm>.

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