



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

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

Site inspectors from ONR usually attend Hunterston Site Stakeholder Group meetings according to the Intervention Plan and can respond to any questions when there. Otherwise, any person wishing to enquire 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

ONR attended Hunterston A (HNA) site on the following dates: -

- 12 – 13 March 2018

A routine regulatory visit was scheduled for 5 – 8 March 2018.

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 Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 (HSWA74);
- The Energy Act 2013; 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 conditions attached to the licence in order to ensure legal compliance. Inspections seek to judge both the adequacy of these arrangements and their implementation.

2.2 Other work

Three ONR inspectors attended HNA site for a meeting requested by Magnox Ltd to discuss their proposed Risk-Based De-Planting (RBDP) process. The inspectors included the corporate inspector, the site inspector and a specialist mechanical engineering inspector. The meeting proved to be useful enabling ONR to better understand the proposal and provide initial guidance on associated regulatory expectations.

During this period HNA requested a formal ONR Approval to a change to their Emergency Arrangements relating to a role change and the removal of the requirement for a duty responder to be present on the site during silent hours. The Approval was requested under LC11 (Emergency arrangements). ONR is considering this request and will publish their regulatory decision once the assessment phase has been completed.

3 NON-ROUTINE MATTERS

Licensees are required to have arrangements to respond to non-routine matters and incidents. ONR inspectors judge the adequacy of the licensee's response, including actions taken to implement any necessary improvements.

There were no significant safety matters reported during this period.

4 REGULATORY ACTIVITY

ONR may issue formal documents to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements. Under nuclear site Licence Conditions (LC - <http://www.onr.org.uk/documents/licence-condition-handbook.pdf>) 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' (LI), but can take other forms. In addition, inspectors may issue enforcement notices to secure improvements to safety.

No enforcement notices or Lis were issued during the reporting period.

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

5 NEWS FROM ONR

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

In January 2018, ONR received the results of its first external stakeholder survey which was undertaken by YouGov on behalf of ONR. A broad range of stakeholders were invited to participate in an online survey, with 351 responses received. In addition to the online survey, a number of in depth interviews were also completed with stakeholders. Whilst overall the results demonstrate ONR is seen as a high performing organisation with good levels of stakeholder confidence, there are areas where improvements can be made and we will be working with our divisions on those in the coming months. Further details about the survey results can be found in our March 2018 newsletter which is available on [ONR's website](#).

In February 2018, ONR held its first webinar following the publication of the 'Guide to enabling regulation in practice.' Chief Nuclear Inspector, Mark Foy and Deputy Chief Inspector, Mike Finnerty, were on hand to answer questions about the guide which has been designed to illustrate working examples of enabling regulation in practice. This is a new channel of communication for ONR and we'll be holding further webinars on different topics over the coming months. If you would like to join future webinars then please get in touch with the ONR Communications team via contact@onr.gov.uk

In March 2018, ONR held the first of two meetings this year with representatives from across the NGO community. Held in Birmingham, the meeting was attended by 15 NGO representatives from 11 different organisations. Topics discussed included: Domestic Safeguards pending the withdrawal of the UK from Euratom; Emergency Planning Arrangements; and the ONR Stakeholder Survey results. The next meeting is scheduled to take place in October 2018. We are keen to increase the number of people engaging with ONR on nuclear safety and security issues and would like to invite members of SSGs, and LCCs to join our engagement programme. For more details please get in touch via contact@onr.gov.uk

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