



# Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR) Quarterly Site Report for Oldbury

Report for period 1 January 2019 to 31 March 2019

## 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 for the Oldbury Site Stakeholder Group and are also available on the ONR website (<http://www.onr.org.uk/llc/>).

A site inspector from ONR usually attends Oldbury Site Stakeholder Group meetings 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**

### **1.1 Dates of inspection**

ONR's site inspector undertook inspections on the following dates during the quarter:

- 12 March 2019

## **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 Energy Act 2013;
- The Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 (HSWA74); and
- Regulations made under HSWA74, for example the Ionising Radiations Regulations 2017 (IRR17 and the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999 (MHSWR99).

In this period, routine inspections of Oldbury covered the following legal requirements:

- LC11 – Emergency arrangements;

In general, ONR judged the arrangements made and implemented by the site in response to safety requirements to be adequate in the areas inspected. Where necessary, ONR will take formal regulatory enforcement action to ensure that appropriate remedial measures are implemented to reasonably practicable timescales.

### **2.2 Other work**

ONR's site inspector also held monthly tripartite telephone calls with the Licensee and the Environment Agency; these provide for the Licensee to update the regulatory bodies with progress on decommissioning programmes and other matters related to nuclear safety, security or the environment.

## **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.

There were no matters of significance to report during this period.

## **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', but can take other forms. In addition, inspectors may issue Enforcement Notices to secure improvements to safety.

ONR issued a Licence Instrument in March 2019; this was an Approval under LC11 for amendments to the site emergency plan. This followed a request from Magnox Ltd for its emergency plan to reflect new working patterns and reduced staffing during silent hours.

## 5 NEWS FROM ONR

### 5.1 Enforcement Action

A summary of enforcement action is provided below. Further detail is available on [our website](#).

- Improvement notice issued to Sellafield Ltd on 4 January 2019 – requires improvements to be made in its principal contractor arrangements for construction, design and management.
- On 1 February, following ONR’s prosecution, EDF Energy Nuclear Generation Ltd and Doosan Babcock Ltd were fined £200,000 and £150,000 respectively following an incident where a worker fell from height at Hinkley Point B power station in 2017.
- Two improvement notices were issued to two transport logistics companies on 4 February following breaches in regulations for the safe transport of radioactive materials.
- Two improvement notices were issued to EDF Energy on 20 February following an incident on 19 November 2018 at Heysham 1, which resulted in injury to three EDF Employees.
- On 2 April, Sellafield Ltd were fined £380,000 following ONR’s prosecution for safety breaches relating to equipment used for the processing of plutonium.

### 5.2 Regulatory updates

Following the introduction of new integrated [Environmental Authorisations Regulations in Scotland](#), the [MOU between ONR and the Scottish Environmental Protection Agency](#) has been updated. The MOU ensures effective cooperation and collaboration in the regulation of nuclear safety, security, radioactive materials transport, nuclear safeguards and environmental protection on nuclear licensed sites and at other sites where both ONR and SEPA have regulatory functions.

In February, [a new nuclear site licence was granted to Tradebe Inutec](#) for their Winfrith site in Dorset. A new site licence was required following Tradebe Inutec’s acquisition of buildings and land at the Winfrith site from the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA) in February 2019.

In March we published a report detailing safety “events” that took place in the UK between 2015-2017. The report details the 56 safety significant events that took place between April 2015 and December 2017 – describing each event, the duty-holder’s response, and the actions taken by the ONR. The full report is available on our [website](#).

### 5.3 Stakeholder Engagement

In February, our Chief Nuclear Inspector, Mark Foy and Technical Director, Anthony Hart hosted a webinar which focused on the first Topical Peer Review of ‘Ageing management of nuclear power plants and research reactors.’ Further details about the webinar are available on our [website](#).

We published our [2018 Stakeholder Survey report](#) in February following the survey in October/November last year. Stakeholders from across the sector were invited to take part in the survey with 329 responses received, providing valuable insight into how we are viewed by our stakeholders. The full report is available on our [website](#).

On 28 March, we held our NGO Forum in Manchester and were delighted to welcome 15 NGO representatives from 12 organisations. We’ll be making the minutes, agenda, presentations and pre-event briefing papers available on our website over the coming weeks.

## 5.4 Corporate news

In February we announced the appointment of Mark McAllister as the new Chair of ONR. Mark will join ONR from 1 April, succeeding Nick Baldwin CBE.

We were delighted that our Chief Executive Adrienne Kelbie was recognised as Transformational Leader at the Northern Power Women Awards 2019, an event that celebrates the women and men working towards accelerating gender diversity across the Northern Powerhouse. Adrienne won the award in recognition of her work in leading ONR through significant change while, in parallel, driving gender balance.

ONR has been recognised for its commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion by gaining accreditation to the National Equality Standard (NES).

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