

SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT UPDATE TO HUNTERSTON STAKEHOLDER GROUP – 1st SEPTEMBER 2022

SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES AND NUCLEAR DECOMMISSIONING POLICY TEAM

Higher Activity Radioactive Waste Policy Implementation

A secondee from the NDA IWM team, Laura Hogg, has joined our team for 6 months to assist us with our work on the implementation of the 2011 Higher Activity Radioactive Waste Policy and Higher Activity Radioactive Waste Strategy 2016.

The technical work stream is now underway, helping us to develop our thinking around near surface disposal concepts for Scotland. We are also including work to help us better understand the radioactive waste inventory in Scotland, including which radioactive waste is suitable for near surface disposal and that which is not.

A full update on our progress will be provided at the next stakeholder group meeting.

ONR – 7th Joint Convention report

The Joint Convention on the Safety of Spent Fuel Management and on the Safety of Radioactive Waste Management Seventh Review Meeting of the Contracting Parties took place from the 27th of June until the 8th of July. Diane Hamilton represented Scottish Government as part of the UK delegation, which was well received. The summary report of the seventh review meeting can be accessed at the link below.

[summary-report-seventh-review-meeting.pdf \(iaea.org\)](https://www.iaea.org/publications/summary-report-seventh-review-meeting.pdf)

UK Energy Security Bill

We have been engaged in work on the UK Government Energy Bill as several sections relate to nuclear sites and require the consideration of Scottish Ministers and consent of the Scottish Parliament. The Bill was introduced at Westminster on 6 July in the House of Lords;

<https://bills.parliament.uk/bills/3311>

NDA Stakeholder Summit, Edinburgh 7-8 September

Ms McAllan has accepted an invitation to deliver the keynote address at the NDA stakeholder summit in Edinburgh on 7 September. This will be a good opportunity to highlight the importance of nuclear decommissioning in Scotland and joint working between Scottish Government and NDA. The SG team will be in attendance over the two days of the summit.

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