

## **Summary Report to the WCSSG Scrutiny Meeting October 2010**

### **Decommissioning Sub Committee.**

#### **Key Items discussed in 2010**

##### **Regular Items**

Decommissioning Directorate Report  
Sellafield Site Report  
Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA) Report  
Environment Agency (EA) Update Report  
Nuclear Installation Inspectorate (NII) Update Report

##### **Special Items**

High Hazard and Risk Reduction  
Safety, Security and Environmental Review

##### **Issues**

The analysis of High Hazard and Risk Reduction (HHRR), presented at the May meeting and further discussed at the Sept. meeting is an important factor, (but not the only one), in informing selection and prioritisation of the Site Decommissioning work programme. Discussion of this topic will remain an important part of the Committee's business in future meetings.

In line with the site priorities of HHRR, Pile 1 decommissioning will cease as soon as practicable and Piles 1 and 2 will then be placed in a state of surveillance and maintenance. The committee emphasised the importance of ensuring that the experience built up in the Project is properly recorded and that all data, and work records etc. are stored in a secure and retrievable form against the time when the project is re-started.

The NII reported that in order to ensure, through inspection and assessment, that Sellafield Ltd continues to have adequate arrangements for its interaction with the NII on the future permissioning of activities, whilst at the same time allowing NII to focus on the more safety significant activities, they are currently trialling the use of a more flexible approach, termed flexible permissioning. The sub-committee welcomed this attempt to make the process more flexible and looked forward to seeing further reports on the trial as it develops.

The Sub-committee noted that the Lifetime plan LTP10 had been delivered to the NDA and Regulators on May 24, (following completion of close-out actions and endorsement by the NMP, Sellafield Boards and Sellafield Executive), and congratulated all concerned on a very important piece of work.

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Vice-Chairman  
8 September 2010.