

**Report to the West Cumbria Site Stakeholder Group Emergency Planning Sub  
Committee on Emergency Exercises**

**Introduction**

This is a summary of the issues arising from the formal exercises held by the Site Emergency Planning Office for the period since the last meeting. The dates for exercises planned for the period up to the next meeting are listed at the end

**Exercises Held**

There was one site exercise, as follows:

21<sup>st</sup> November 2007 This was one of the Level 1 exercises which the site are required to hold twice yearly. The NII said that the scenario was realistic and challenging and that it was a well prepared test of the sites Emergency Arrangements. They also stated that it was an acceptable demonstration of Sellafield emergency preparedness.

The issues from this exercise were:

- Good management of the early stages of the event by the Site Shift Manager.
- The classification of building integrity needs reviewed.
- The contaminated casualty aspect of the exercise went well, however this could have been aided by a better layout and/or location for the Access Control Point.
- All the aspects of dealing with the change in wind direction were rather slow.
- There were problems with site roll call due to the poor performance of one building.
- There were a number of communication problems throughout the exercise.

**Future Exercises.**

8<sup>th</sup> May 2008 This will be a full site demonstration exercise (level 1).

9<sup>th</sup> October 2008 This will be a test of the on and off site emergency plan.

27<sup>th</sup> November 2008 This will be a full site demonstration exercise (level 1).