

Site Report: Berkeley

Report Period: 1 October-31 December 2021

Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR) Site Report for Berkeley

Report for period 1 October–31 December 2021

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 to members for the Berkeley Site Stakeholder Group and are also available on the ONR website (http://www.onr.org.uk/llc/).

Site inspectors from ONR usually attend Berkeley Site Stakeholder Group meetings where they 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 site inspectors made inspections on the following dates during the report period 1 October–31 December 2021:

- 6 October
- 17 November
- 30 November
- 15 December

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).

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 the conditions attached to the licence in order to ensure legal compliance. Inspections seek to judge both the adequacy of these arrangements and their implementation.

In this period, routine inspections of Berkeley covered the following:

- emergency preparedness;
- incidents on the site;
- fire safety;
- security

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During the reporting period, ONR judged the arrangements made and implemented by the site in response to safety requirements to be satisfactory in the areas inspected. Where improvements have been identified, the licensee has made a commitment to address those issues, and ONR inspectors will closely monitor progress during future site inspections. Where necessary, ONR will take formal regulatory enforcement action to ensure that appropriate remedial measures are implemented to reasonably practicable timescales. Members of the public, who would like further information on ONR's inspection activities during the reporting period, can view site Intervention Reports at www.onr.org.uk/intervention-records on our website www.onr.org.uk/intervention-records on our website, please email www.onr.org.uk/intervention-records on our website, please email

On 17 November 2021 ONR inspectors attended an emergency exercise at Berkeley site and considered that the licensee's implementation of its emergency arrangements was adequate.

2.2. Other Work

An ONR inspector met with the site safety representatives on 17 November 2021, to support their function of representing employees and receiving information on matters affecting their health, safety and welfare at work.

On 27 October 2021 an ONR inspector attended the Berkeley Site Stakeholder Group meeting.

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.

Matters and events of particular note during the period were:

The licensee notified ONR of an event on Berkeley site on 12 October 2021 where the brakes had failed to engage on the licensee's concrete box cross-site transporter trailer. ONR is in the process of completing its preliminary enquiries into the circumstances surrounding this event.



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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' (LIs) but can take other forms. In addition, inspectors may take a range of enforcement actions, to include issuing an Enforcement Notice.

No LIs, Enforcement Notices or Enforcement letters were issued during this period.

Reports detailing the above regulatory decisions can be found on the ONR website at http://www.onr.org.uk/pars/.



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5. News from ONR

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