

Franco-British Nuclear Forum

Conclusions of the Working Group on Nuclear Safety Regulation

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Based on the results achieved by the Working Group on Nuclear Safety since the first edition of the Forum (see annex 1), the Working Group met on March 29th, 2007 with the following objectives:

- To review work done in the field of “Learning from Experience and Sharing of Reliability Data”.
- To review the regulatory processes related to waste management and decommissioning of existing plant.
- To identify further issues and to agree on a road map of way forward.

The conclusions of the meeting are the following:

- 1) The seminar on EPR technical issues discussed at the Working Group meeting of March 14th, 2007 will be organised tentatively by next summer or in fall in Paris.

It will be attended by French and British Regulators and Technical Safety Organizations in order to share understanding of key technical issues and to contemplate further works.

- 2) Workshops on waste management and decommissioning at British and French sites will be organised. They will be dedicated to deeper exchanges on regulatory processes and technical issues.

The first workshop will take place in fall in the United Kingdom.

- 3) The two following topics are selected for further works:

- Physical protection and security (French and British regulatory processes).
- Operational experience feedback from the Operators and from the Regulators and Technical safety Organizations point of view.

- 4) As broader issues, the importance:

- to support the United Kingdom joining the Multiple Design Evaluation Programme phase 1
- to support international standardisation for new build reactors, and recognize that EPR projects should be as consistent as possible in Europe,

is underlined.

- 5) The coordinators of the Working Group will monitor the implementation of the conclusions.

The slides used to present the conclusions of the meeting are here attached as annex 2.