

**Introduction – Susan Lussem, Supply Chain Director**

Happy New Year and I hope you all enjoyed a restful break with your loved ones!

The year ended having the pleasure of hosting government and NDA representatives on to the Sellafield site. We were able to showcase the great work being done with the retrievals programme, the analytical services programme and the Programme and Project Partners. Several key themes were recognised as part of the visit, including the technical engineering that has been delivered to create what the site is today and the interdependencies and complexity of the site. Also how Sellafield Ltd is balancing a variety of factors in delivery of the mission including maintenance of existing facilities, asset care projects, research and development and strategic asset creation. Being able to see our scope in delivery and seeing the site itself really is powerful to understand the company's progress.

Safety and Security

As part of my recent site visits to the areas mentioned above and to the Lillyhall stores, it is great to observe important practices in place: attention to detail, taking safety feedback and adopting safety learning are all key to preventing future near misses and incidents so we all go home physically sound at the end of each day.

Supply Chain Directorate Capability Programme

The delivery of the Supply Chain Directorate Capability Programme continues to be aligned to the agreed plan. We launch into the Programme on 11th/12th January with our first Category Strategy Implementation Planning pilot workshop. I very much look forward to all our learning journeys continuing in 2023.

Sustainability

At Sellafield we embrace a progressive approach to the delivery of sustainability across three pillars; social, environmental, and economic. This approach is clearly aligned to our manifesto principle of '*we care about our community and environment*'. I am delighted to share on the behalf of the Executive that our Enterprise-wide approach and delivery of sustainability will now be sponsored by myself and will be led by the Supply Chain Directorate.

We have made tremendous strides in recent years in harnessing the collective influence and efforts of the supply chain in optimising investment and performance against the three pillars. We look to integrate this with the work being done internally, to take a more holistic, planned and coordinated approach to shaping and implementing sustainability.

Introduction – Susan Lussem, Supply Chain Director (cont.)

The Social Impact team moved from Communications and Stakeholder Engagement to the Supply Chain Directorate and report into Eirini Etoimou.

We are dedicated to our commitment to improve the supply chain experience and deliver to our mission in a responsible manner. The new year starts with exciting projects that I am keen to share with you over the coming months.

SME Agenda – Eirini Etoimou, Head of Corporate Sustainability & Supply Chain Development

I hope you enjoyed your holidays and are having a great new year!

Sustainability

Following Susan's announcement, I am genuinely pleased with the opportunity to be leading Sellafield's Corporate Sustainability. From our interactions, you are already aware about my personal and professional commitment to integrate sustainability and identify quantitative and qualitative benefits within the business.

As sustainability still struggles with a variety of definitions, we need to remember the principle of 'doing the right thing'. Focusing on this simple principle for smaller or bigger decisions, we can find our individual 'how to' implement, integrate. Sharing the message and support each other in this journey is important as we need to rely on our overall business ecosystem (internally and externally), to working and achieving goals for the common and greater good.

Supplier Relationship Management (SRM)

A few months ago, we announced that we are working to the evolution of our SRM model as a matter of identifying ways towards more meaningful business relationships that will be driven and based on mutual, sustainable benefits, and shared intelligence.

We are ready to launch this model and I will share more with you within the next few months as we progress integration.

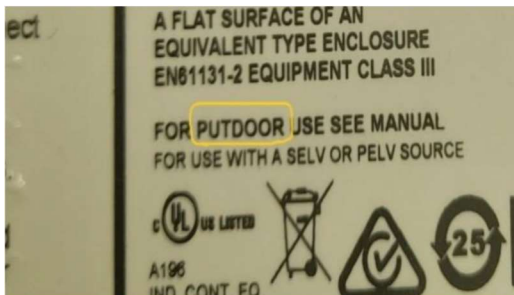
SME Forum

Our upcoming forum will be held in Warrington on the 24th of January and we are looking forward to seeing you there. I am pleased that my colleagues from the Category Teams will join us to support your procurement questions. Further details and joining instructions on page 5.

Quality hot topic: mitigating risks from counterfeit, fraudulent and suspect items (CFSI)

Counterfeit items are those that have been 'confirmed' to be a copy, imitation or substitute and has been represented, identified, or marked as genuine, and/or altered by a source without legal right with intent to mislead, deceive or defraud.

Recently, there has been a concerning trend in CFSIs. A shortage of various electronic components in the global supply chain has impacted product availability and lead times, resulting in an elevated risk of CFSI products emerging in the nuclear industry.



Spelling mistakes on counterfeit item.

IF IT IS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE, IT PROBABLY IS!

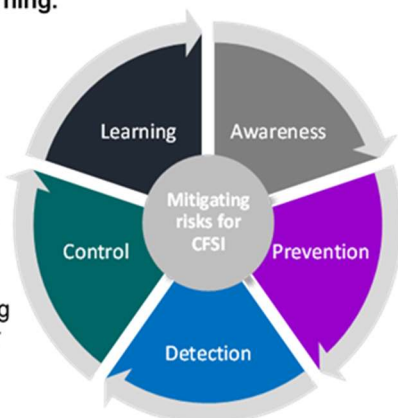
Red flags to look for include:

- Cheaper than expected prices
- Shorter lead times than other suppliers
- Sudden availability of obsolete, or hard to source, goods
- Slight differences in packaging or labels
- Spelling mistakes or subtle changes in font or spacing

Recent examples are two separate instances of counterfeit Human-Machine Interface (HMI) screens identified in the projects supply chain; suspect packaging and typographical errors were found during the sub-contract goods inspection process.

Mitigating against CFSI involves awareness, prevention, detection, control and learning.

Our Supply Chain Quality team works collaboratively with our suppliers to build confidence that they can meet our specified requirements. The team has worked with the Safety Directors Forum CFSI working group to develop enhanced guidance, training and an information pack for the supply chain.



Quality hot topic (continued)

Mitigating CFSI risks includes:

- raising CFSI awareness,
- conducting supplier evaluations,
- implementing appropriate assurance for COTS items,
- carrying out detailed receipt and dispatch inspections,
- refraining from deviating to alternate supply routes unless absolutely necessary,
- if a different supplier is needed, ensuring additional due diligence in the procurement process.

For further information, please contact Gary Rushforth, supply chain assurance manager (gary.rushforth@sellafieldsites.com).

Do you provide Analytical Services?

Sellafield Ltd is the biggest demander of analytical services across the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA) group. The Sellafield Analytical Services Programme wish to place a ten-year contract for analytical services, covering Low Active and Very Low Active analysis. This will comprise analysis currently delivered by the supply chain, as well as analysis undertaken by Sellafield Ltd. The scope is outlined in updated PIN opportunity C10718 on the Sellafield Ltd Atamis portal.

Sellafield Ltd are holding a market engagement event for this opportunity, details are as follows:

Analytical Services Market Engagement Event

Tues 17th Jan 2023, 9am – 12pm

Energus, Blackwood Road, Lillyhall Industrial Estate, Workington, Cumbria, CA14 4JW

Aims of the event:

- Provide further information and update to potential service providers on the scope, schedule and proposed commercial arrangements associated with this requirement.
- Opportunity for 1:1 with Sellafield Ltd representatives on the proposed arrangements, discuss the scope further, and provide suppliers with information on Sellafield Ltd plans.
- Encourage market interest in the opportunity.
- Opportunity for potential providers to network with each other.

The event is open to both large and small organisations with current, or planned future capability to deliver accredited Analytical Services, either as a single organisation or as part of a consortia / sub-contractor.

To register to attend this event, please visit Atamis <https://one-nda.force.com/s/Welcome> and search for opportunity C10718.

LINC with Sellafield

LINC with Sellafield will go live on Atamis on **Monday 16th January 2023**

As a result applications will no longer be accepted via CTM, any supplier that has already qualified for LINC has been automatically qualified in Atamis and your details transferred. If you haven't previously logged into Atamis, email: OneNDA.CommercialSystems@nda.gov.uk so that a password reset can be sent to enable access to your account. If you've already logged into Atamis, your accounts will have to be merged.

In order to qualify for LINC in Atamis please either log in with your existing details or register for Atamis using the following link: <https://one-nda.force.com/s/Welcome> and navigate to CC11968 - LINC with Sellafield Ltd Qualification.

The Engineering and Technology Solutions Marketplace Dynamic Purchasing Systems

As of **01/02/2023**, the DPS will be transitioned to Atamis. This means that any new or in-flight registrations must be completed in CTM by **13/01/2023**. Any supplier that has already qualified for the DPS has been automatically qualified in Atamis and your details transferred. If you haven't previously logged into Atamis, email: OneNDA.CommercialSystems@nda.gov.uk so that a password reset can be sent to enable access to your account. If you've already logged into Atamis, your accounts will have to be merged.

Supply Chain Award for PPP

Amazing recognition for Sellafield's partnership, as we picked up a prestigious prize at this year's Institute for Collaborative Working (ICW) Awards.

Our major infrastructure delivery partnership between Sellafield Ltd, KBR, Jacobs, Morgan Sindall Infrastructure, Altrad Babcock and a wider supply chain scooped the Supply Chain award having been shortlisted in five categories.

The awards judges recognised how Sellafield's Programme and Project Partners model has brought together multiple organisations, from the four global businesses to small and medium-sized enterprises, across a vast supply chain, who are taking a 'one team' approach to deliver a long-term programme of critical national infrastructure to support Sellafield's decommissioning programme.

**How to access opportunities in our Supply Chain**

We welcome contact from suppliers who are able to help us progress safely, at pace and with added value as detailed in our [strategy](#). Sellafield Ltd follows procurement regulations and publicly competes all direct opportunities. Our website holds all the information on procurement routes, however you can also check for live contract opportunities via Atamis, which can be accessed [here](#).

Suppliers can review the latest Procurement Plan schedule which was published in September on the Sellafield Ltd website which lists the procurements that will be tendered in the coming months/years.

If your company is an SME then you can also qualify for LINC with Sellafield Ltd, which is a platform that enables SMEs at a local and national level to collaborate and deliver innovative solutions to the mission at Sellafield.

We also use national procurement frameworks through Crown Commercial Services: www.crowncommercial.gov.uk.

Infrastructure Delivery Partnership - Prior Information Notice 4

The Infrastructure Delivery Partnership (IDP) has recently published a further Prior Information Notice (PIN) 4. PIN 4 provides an update as to procurement timescales and developments to the IDP model following PIN 3 feedback. Further information can be found by following the below links:

Find a Tender Notice Link: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/033319-2022>

Atamis Link: [Atamis Contracts Search \(force.com\)](#)

IDP PIN 4 Ref: C10713

Where applicable please register an interest via our e-procurement system Atamis.

SME Spotlight

Woodward Safety Health and Environment Ltd is a Cumbrian family led SME specialising in the delivery of accredited NEBOSH, IOSH and Highfield (HABC) training courses from its offices in Enniscorthy.



"We believe people should be safe at work"

The company has been trying to make the above simple statement a reality since it was founded in 1992.

Woodward are a family firm with traditional Cumbrian values who want their training to give all learners the skills and knowledge to keep themselves, their colleagues, customers, contractors and others safe in the workplace.

The company delivered its first closed / in-house NEBOSH General Certificate course for Sellafield [then BNFL] delegates at Summergrove in 1995 and 'have had an excellent relationship ever since'.

Most recently, in March 2021, the company was awarded "LINC challenge 60 – NEBOSH Safety Training". They also deliver training for many other organisations to the Sellafield supply chain and across Cumbria more widely.

Business Development Manager, Tom Duggan said: "We are proud to be recognised as a NEBOSH Gold learning partner, the highest level available in the NEBOSH Learning Partner programme.

"This programme measures a learning partners performance against the programme's principles, which represent global best practice in the provision of course tuition and support."

Would you like to feature in our SME
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Operational Technology Group (OTG)

Operational Technology covers everything from plant sensors for measuring levels, temperatures etc through to the major plant control systems that make our site factories work.

Sellafield Ltd's Operational Technology Group (OTG) have created an offsite presence to grow a sustainable capability to manage the OT on the Sellafield site for years to come.

The Engineering Centre of Excellence at Leconfield allows us to deliver more effectively for the Sellafield site through closer collaboration with the supply chain.

Apprentices are being given a unique training experience through a new collaboration between organisations.

For the first time, Jacobs have taken on two control system apprentices through a partnership with Sellafield which will see them join the next cohort learning their trade at Leconfield.



Some of the current apprentices being taught about Radiometric Special Instruments by Mark Strange.

They will also be joined by apprentices from both Forth Engineering and PAR systems. This partnership is about growing the capabilities of businesses across West Cumbria, not just Sellafield, to help all local companies improve and develop their skill sets.

This collaboration has many benefits as the apprentices will receive ongoing training from all the partners including Sellafield. In the last eighteen months, this approach brings a total of 15 extra apprentices.

Prime Supplier Spotlight

Jacobs' deep nuclear pedigree dates from the inception of the industry. The company employ some of the world's leading specialists and serve nuclear clients in the UK, USA, Europe, the Arabian Gulf, Japan and South Africa.

Jacobs employ around 60,000 people worldwide, with 12,000 in the UK. They have offices, technical development facilities and laboratories in the North West and Cumbria from where they provide services to Sellafield across all its value streams, ranging from R&D and consultancy through to design and implementation, often in collaborative teams with delivery partners and Sellafield.

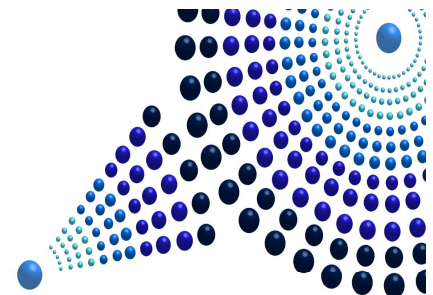
With almost 1,000 employees in Cumbria, Jacobs believe in prioritising local communities and investing significant effort and resource into maximising social impact.

Examples of their social value delivery include the OneAIM Primary Business Partnership, which won the NDA's Best Approach to Sustainability Award 2022, and the [PPP Timebank](#), which coordinates the volunteering efforts of the PPP Partners and their supply chain.

In 2020, the company launched [One Million Lives](#), a freely available mental health check, to help individuals understand their current mental wellness status and provide suggestions for building resiliency. We encourage you to become part of the ripple by sharing One Million Lives widely with friends and family across the world.

SMEs interested in connecting with Jacobs can get in touch via the named contacts for each framework [here](#).

To feature in our Prime Supplier Spotlight, please contact:
supply.chain.enquiries@sellafieldsites.com



Take five minutes to check-in,
then pass it on to five others.
[Help us touch One Million Lives.](#)



Visit www.oml.world

SME Forum – 24th January, Warrington UTC

The SME Forum was established by Sellafield Ltd Supply Chain Development & Innovation Team to ensure consistent engagement with the SME community.

Through these forums we aim to create a constructive communications platform to share learning, opportunities for improvement and development, knowledge and best practices, innovation, market trends, areas of common concerns, among others.

The Forum is facilitated by the Sellafield Supply Chain Development and Innovation Team supported by Category Managers. Depending on the topics raised during the sessions, Sellafield Ltd's subject matter experts join to provide first-hand accurate information.

Our next SME Forum will take place on Tuesday 24th January at Warrington UTC from 9am – 3pm. To register, please visit our Eventbrite page by 17th January:
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/488588299757>

Please email us at supply.chain.enquiries@sellafieldsites.com if you have any issues.



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Sustainable Supply Chain: Useful Links

THREE PILLARS OF SUSTAINABILITY

SOCIAL

UN:

<https://www.un.org/en/>

UN Goals:

<https://sdgs.un.org/goals>

UN Human Rights:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/>

Equality & Human Rights:

<https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en>

Modern Slavery:

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2015/30/contents/enacted>

Slavery Index:

<https://www.globallslaveryindex.org/>

Human Rights Watch:

<https://www.hrw.org/world-report/2021>

PPN 06/20:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy-note-0620-taking-account-of-social-value-in-the-award-of-central-government-contracts>

ENVIRONMENTAL

UN Environment – Finance Initiative:

<https://www.unepfi.org/>

Environment Act 2021:

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2021/30/contents/enacted>

Sustainability Organisations:

<https://www.icaew.com/library/subject-gateways/environment-and-sustainability/sustainability-organisations>

Global Climate Risk Index:

<https://reliefweb.int/report/world/global-climate-risk-index-2021#:~:text=The%20Global%20Climate%20Risk%20Index%20indicates%20a%20level%20of%20exposure,severe%20events%20in%20the%20future.>

PPN 06/21:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy-note-0621-taking-account-of-carbon-reduction-plans-in-the-procurement-of-major-government-contracts>

ECONOMIC

Anti-Bribery:

<https://www.gov.uk/anti-bribery-policy>

Anti-Corruption:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/anti-corruption>

Other:

Risk Indices:

<https://risk-indexes.com/>

CIPS Material:

<https://www.cips.org/knowledge/procurement-topics-and-skills/sustainability/sustainable-and-ethical-procurement/>

