NDA launches UK strategy for managing low level radioactive waste

The **Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA)** has published the UK Strategy for the Management of Solid Low Level Radioactive Waste (LLW) from the Nuclear Industry.

Low level waste covers a wide variety of lightly contaminated material that arises as scrap and redundant equipment in both nuclear and non-nuclear industries. It generally comprises plastic, paper, clothing, wood, metal and building rubble.

Managing this waste effectively is vital for nuclear decommissioning and power generation operations and for other LLW producers, such as hospitals and universities.

Publication of the final strategy follows a consultation on the draft, which ran from June to

Based on stakeholder feedback, we are confident that the final strategy better addresses peoples concerns, and provides guidance on how to make effective waste management decisions".

The principles outlined in the UK Nuclear Industry LLW Strategy are being actively employed by waste producers across the UK and the benefits of applying the waste hierarchy are being realised. The NDA will continue to provide strategic leadership with regard to its implementation.

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Additional notes:

You will be interested to know that the UK Nuclear Industry LLW Strategy has been published. You can find it at the link below:

http://www.nda.gov.uk/news/llw-strategy.cfm

This includes links to the final document and also to the consultation pages, where you'll find our consultation response as well.