DSG(2011)C205

# DOUNREAY STAKEHOLDER GROUP - SUMMARY OF MAIN POINTS OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2011 IN THE PENTLAND HOTEL, THURSO.

- Minutes DSG(2011)M005 (March meeting) were approved.
- Vulcan reported that the shore test facility was operating and conducting trials in accordance with its trials programme. Vulcan's annual emergency exercise (Lonestar 2011) will take place on 22 June 2011.
- NDA has now identified a replacement for Randall Bargelt. Nigel Lowe will take up his appointment as Head of Programmes at a date to be identified.

## **DSG Business meeting update**

- DSG finances (for last financial year) have now been audited by DSRL and no issues raised.
- Membership of DSG has been reviewed and a number of actions identified to take forward.
- A report on a stakeholder conference in Stockholm had been provided (DSG(2011)C200). A small working group will be set up to review recommendations and take forward agreed actions.

#### Site Restoration sub group update

- DSG received an update from DSRL on the NDA's collaborative procurement project and on taking forward criteria in contacts which could benefit the local community.
- Low level waste issues were discussed DSRL's project manager will be invited to the next sub group to provide an update.
- SEPA provided a brief on the comparison of levels of caesium in Caithness and North Sutherland against other areas.
- The HSE's Nuclear Directorate is now the Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR), an agency of HSE. ONR regulates safeguards, security and safety on nuclear licensed sites. Regulation of nuclear transport will also be the responsibility of ONR from mid July 2011.

#### Socio Economic sub group update

- Babcock has been keeping DSG updated on the Pensions office, review and move to Forss Business park.
- DSRL's socio economic plan, 2011/2012 has now been approved by NDA.
- NDA confirmed that pre-consultation and outline planning for the National Nuclear Archives would take place this financial year. This would be carried out during the NDA's review of record management and would not prejudge the outcome.

DSG representatives are reminded that they are responsible for cascading information relating to the DSG to members of respective organisations.

- A number of consultations had been responded to on behalf of DSG including Pelamis Scoping study and Government's APD tax aviation reform.
- NDA, Babcock and DSRL had now entered into an 'alliance' to deliver socio economic activities in support of the CNSRP programme. A partnering charter had been signed.
- The Caithness Chamber of Commerce had launched it's 'Make the Right Connections' programme on 31<sup>st</sup> May.

## **Fuel options presentation**

- NDA provided a background brief of its strategy to deal with fuels. A credible options
  paper with a preferred option will be published at the end of June and views will be
  encouraged.
- DSRL provided a presentation on the options for DFR breeder fuel (see DSG(2011)C204 on website for presentation).
- DSG will discuss credible options paper at both socio economic and site restoration sub group meetings to be held on 20<sup>th</sup> July.

# **Forward diary**

29th June: NDA Site Stakeholder Group chair's forum
20th July (1330 hrs): DSG Socio Economic sub group meeting
20th July (1900 hrs): DSG Site Restoration sub group meeting
19th\_Aug (1330 hrs): Business meeting (likely to be rescheduled)

• 14th Sep (1900 hrs): DSG full meeting

Dounreay Stakeholder Group 19<sup>th</sup> June 2011