

**DOUNREAY STAKEHOLDER GROUP  
PUBLIC MEETING HELD ON 25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2013  
HIGHLIGHTS**

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- The minutes of the June meeting were endorsed. DSG(2013)M002 refers.
- The site held an emergency exercise on 18<sup>th</sup> September. This was a combined safety and security exercise and was deemed satisfactorily with a number of learning points identified. A representative from DSG observed the exercise.
- Following an ONR inspection, a decision to stop all work in major projects was taken by Dounreay's Managing Director until all paperwork was checked. It was confirmed that the issue was a paperwork issue rather than a people one.
- A number of staff from BNS and Johnston Controls will be transferred into DSRL under TUPE arrangements. No additional liabilities are incurred.
- DSRL provided a presentation on higher activity waste in relation to Scottish Government's policy. DSG(2013)C050 refers. The presentation raised a number of questions including whether Tru-shields could be manufactured in Caithness and the 100 year design life of a waste store which would mean continued maintenance and monitoring of such stores following interim end state.
- Discussion was held around promotion of the site as European's reference site for decommissioning. Scottish Government will be working closely with Scottish Development International and the NDA to promote the Dounreay decommissioning programme with their networks and offices in Europe and the Far East.
- Scottish Government and Skills Development Scotland are working with the NDA to include nuclear decommissioning skills in the Scottish Government's Energy Skills Action Plan. This had previously looked at skills within the oil & gas and renewables sectors.
- An industry day is planned to seek commercial partners for the National Nuclear Archives. This is planned for October with Invitations to Tender due in November.
- The NDA had intimated their plans to sell surplus land around their sites. A letter had been received from David Atkinson, NDA Property, to DSG highlighting there was land around Dounreay that is now surplus. DSG had written back to David Atkinson with a number of questions. A response is still awaited.
- A DSG representative had attended the Nuclear Free Local Authorities seminar in Glasgow in September. The seminar considered the transportation of nuclear weapons, emergency arrangements and post-Fukushima information.
- DSG representatives would be attending a number of local, national and international meetings over the next two months including, InSotech stakeholder seminar in Berlin, NDA National Stakeholder Group, Scottish Government Scottish Sites meeting and local staff talks at Dounreay.

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