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SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT UPDATE TO DOUNREAY SITE STAKEHOLDER GROUP – 17th SEPTEMBER 2025

SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES AND NUCLEAR DECOMMISSIONING POLICY TEAM

UK Health Security Agency Laboratory Visit

The team visited the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) laboratory in Glasgow on 7th of August. UKHSA are responsible for collecting and analyzing the samples that are used in the annual Radioactivity In Food and Environment (RIFE) report. It was a very informative visit which allowed the team to see the processes and procedures that are used by the laboratory to assist in the creation of the RIFE report and make further links with UKHSA staff.

Chapelcross Site Visit

The SG team visited the Chapelcross site on the 23rd of July. It was very productive visit which helped to further our understanding of the decommissioning process and the issues localised to the Chapelcross site.

NDA/Dounreay Anniversary Event

Gillian Martin MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Climate Action and Energy, attended the NDA/Dounreay anniversary event at Scrabster Harbour on the 28th of July. The event was an excellent opportunity to network with stakeholders from across the NDA Group and highlight the importance of nuclear decommissioning in Scotland and joint working between Scottish Government and NDA.

Scottish Nuclear Sites Stakeholder Group Meeting (SSSG)

The SSSG meeting took place on the 26th of August 2025. The meeting was held in Victoria Quay in Edinburgh, with a hybrid option and was well attended. We will be canvasing for a date for the next meeting in the new year. If you would like to attend the next SSSG and are not currently on the distribution list, please contact me via email and I will add you to the list.

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