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26 June 2013

APPLICATION TO UPDATE HMNB CLYDE LETTERS OF AGREEMENT (LoA)

Reference:

- A: RS/NUC/HMNB Clyde dated 23 April 2013
- B: Agreement Between MoD and SEPA on Matters Relating to Radioactive Substances dated September 2012.

1. Reference A was provided to initiate consultation with DNSR regarding the proposed changes to update the extant LoA between SEPA and the Ministry of Defence, covering radioactive waste disposals from HMNB Clyde.

2. DNSR has assessed the proposal and recognises the benefits associated with the replacement of the extant HMNB Clyde LoA, with a letter of approval that covers all radioactive waste disposals under a single multimedia authorisation. With the inclusion of the changes identified by the SEPA review of current and future operational requirements at HMNB Clyde and by reflecting the content of the recently signed MoD/SEPA Agreement (Reference B), it is evident that the new letter of approval will support alignment of HMNB Clyde Authorisee's arrangements with current practice in the civil sector.

3. DNSR has no objection to the current proposal to update the HMNB Clyde LoA.

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24 June 2013

Dear Ms Watson,

RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES ACT 1993

Applications to Update Letters of Agreement

I refer to your letter dated 23 April 2013 on the above application. The Office for Nuclear Regulation has no comments on the above application for revised letters of agreement for the disposal of radioactive waste arising from the HMNB Clyde.

Yours sincerely,

Yours faithfully

Mr D Knowles HM Inspector - Nuclear Safety

HM Chief Inspector of Nuclear Installations: Colin Patchett



Your Ref: RS/NUC/HMNB Clyde

1 May 2013

SEPA Ayr Office 31 Millar Road Ayr KA7 2AX

FAO Isabelle Watson

Dear Isabelle

Thank you for your letter of 23 April 2013 informing the FSAS of SEPA's review of Letters of Agreement with HMNB Clyde Faslane & Coulport.

The FSAS agrees with SEPA's intention to replace the extant Letters of Agreement, following its procedure for determining an authorisation for the civil nuclear sector, which includes the FSA as a statutory consultee.

At this stage, the FSA has no specific comment to make but looks forward to this opportunity as the consultation process proceeds.

Yours sincerely,

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Your ref: RS/NUC/HMNB Clyde Our ref: A5902234 13 May 2013

Dear Ms Watson

RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES ACT 1993 BRITISH ENERGY GENERATION LIMITED – HMNB CLYDE FASLANE AND COULPORT APPLICATIONS TO UPDATE LETTERS OF AGREEMENT

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Thank you for your letter of 23 April 2013 together with enclosure.

Having considered the papers provided, I can confirm that we are content for SEPA to continue as planned with this process to update the letters of agreement for HMNB Faslane and Coulport. I note that SEPA will consult again with Scottish Ministers on the particulars of the authorisation that SEPA is minded to grant, following a public consultation.

We will be concerned to see that the wider consultation exercise, including a public consultation, on these changes is carried out thoroughly, with appropriate consideration of concerns raised in responses. We will also look to see that the draft authorisations comply with relevant Scottish Government policies, and my team is available to work with SEPA colleagues if there is a need to clarify any policy as a part of this process.

I am content for this letter to be put in the public domain.

Yours sincerely

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