

Hinkley Point B power station

February 2018 monthly report

Introduction

This is our latest monthly report, sharing news with our local community stakeholder groups and local councils. This forms part of our commitment to being an open and transparent business. These reports are also available to all members of the public on www.edfenergy.com website. This newsletter covers **January 2017**.

Safety update

We measure our safety performance against top tier indicators, including nuclear reportable events, environmental events, and staff and contract partner recordable injuries. It is now over eleven years since we experienced a nuclear reportable event, over eight years since our last environmental event and over one year since the last employee lost time incident.

Back in April 2017 one of our contract partners fell approximately two metres through a skylight while working on a roof. We are pleased to report the individual is expected to make a full recovery. As a result of the accident, and as we reported in the July 2017 newsletter, the Office for Nuclear Regulation subsequently issued the station with an improvement notice relating to the management of working at height activities at the site. Following the accident, the station has held a thorough investigation and has completed a comprehensive programme of work examining, inspecting, and where appropriate, making enhancements to roofs around the site and our working at height procedures. At the end of January, ONR confirmed it was satisfied the station had complied with all of the requirements of the improvement notice.

Station generation

Reactor 3 has been on-line since Thursday 26 October, and operated at nominal full load throughout the month. Reactor 4 has been on-line since 18 August 2017, and operated at nominal full load throughout January.

During routine monitoring activities on Wednesday 10 January, a burning smell was identified in an extraction fan in the main control building. Following investigation, the source of the smell was quickly traced to a slipping belt and remedial action was taken. In line with normal station procedures, Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service attended the site as a precaution and confirmed no fire had occurred.

Unit 7 was taken offline for its planned interim outage on Friday 2 February. An outage at a power station is similar to a car having an MOT and service but on a bigger scale. This will allow us to carry out some planned maintenance and inspection work. As part of the programme of work we will be carrying out inspections of the graphite core.



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We expect to bring the unit back online in February and we will provide a full update at the next meeting of the Hinkley Point Site Stakeholder Group on 23 February. More information about graphite and nuclear lifetime management is available on our website at: <https://www.edfenergy.com/energy/nuclear-lifetime-management>.

People news

Hinkley Point B employees recognised internally for community work

Three Hinkley Point B employees recently attended an EDF Energy 'Force for Good' celebratory event in Barnwood, Gloucestershire. This was the second year of the reward and recognition programme, aiming to recognise the drive, passion and commitment of employees who support their local communities, EDF Energy's charity partner – Breast Cancer Now – and company projects.



Andy Meek and Tim Poole from the station's performance improvement department, and Mark Harrison from engineering, attended and were recognised for their efforts. Andy was presented with a gold award in recognition for his charity work by EDF Energy Generation's Human Resources director, Ann-Marie Robson, and Tim and Mark were presented with bronze awards for respectively working with Oddballs and raising awareness of testicular cancer, and for setting up a weight loss club which raises money for charity. Our congratulations and best wishes go to the three individuals.

Community news

EDF Energy donates £5,000 to the Surviving Winter appeal

Surviving Winter, the appeal run by Somerset Community Foundation that encourages pensioners who can live without their Winter Fuel Payment to donate it, has just received a welcome boost in the shape of £5,000 from EDF Energy. Surviving Winter grants can be put towards things like heating bills, fuel and warm clothing and blankets, and the SCF has a target of £100,000 to reach to help 500 older people this winter.

Company news

EDF Energy's chief executive confirms Hinkley Point C is 'on track'

Simone Rossi, the chief executive of EDF Energy, has confirmed that Hinkley Point C is 'on track'.

Mr Rossi said that the project was very important to the UK, and that the station would be in service by 2025. He said: "There are almost 3,000 people on the site and there will soon be more than 5,000 working there, on a project that is on track for its next big milestones.

"We've moved more than four million cubic metres of earth – that's like digging a hole two and a half times as big as the Millennium Stadium in Cardiff. We are already installing the huge sea water cooling pipes.

"One of the main focuses at site is what we call J-zero – when we start building the power station's structures above ground.

"That can only happen once the foundations are in place for the first unit. All our 2018 goals will help us to achieve this major milestone on schedule by June 2019.

"Beyond J-zero, our goal is to put the first unit into service by the end of 2025."



Next community meeting

The next Site Stakeholder Group meeting will be held on Friday 23 February 2018 from 10am to 1pm at Hillhouse, Otterhampton.

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