

# Hunterston B monthly report

## October 2015

### Introduction

We are keen to hear the views of our local communities. We recognise that good communication is a two way process and we welcome your feedback and comments. While we will do our best to always use plain English, talking about our business sometimes involves specific terminology, and you will find a glossary of any terms used at the end of each monthly report.

### Station output

Unit 7 was manually shutdown on Friday 2 October for its planned statutory outage. Unit 8 was operating throughout the month of October.

### Safety

- The station had no lost time incidents (LTIs) for EDF Energy staff during the reporting period and has achieved 2,785 LTI free days up to 31 October, that's more than seven years.
- The station had no lost time incidents (LTIs) for contracting partner staff during the reporting period and has achieved 2,773 LTI free days up to 31 October, that's more than seven years.
- The station had no emergency service call out during October.
- There was one medical treatment during the month where a contract partner cut his hand and attended hospital. The individual received two stitches and returned to work the next day.
- The station had no environmental events during the month and has gone 2,207 days without an environmental event, that's more than five years.

### Station news

#### Four apprentice information days at Hunterston B power station

Hunterston B power station will be holding four information days about its very successful apprenticeship scheme on Saturday 14 November, Sunday 15 November, Saturday 28 November and Sunday 29 November to let prospective recruits know more about it. There will be three sessions on each day at 10.00am, 12.00pm and 2.00pm in the visitor centre. You must book a place in advance.

From studying at HMS Sultan in Portsmouth for the first two years to what qualifications are needed and how to apply, the information days will prove invaluable to anyone considering a career in engineering maintenance.

Hunterston B power station director, Colin Weir said, "We are all very proud of what we do here at the power station, both locally in offering jobs and nationally by producing a large percentage of the nation's low carbon electricity demands. This day will give us a chance to share this enthusiasm with those wishing to apply to join our apprenticeship scheme in 2014.

"In the current climate, an apprenticeship offers a real alternative to going to university. Our scheme is very highly regarded and the sky is really the limit for our apprentices. Several members of EDF Energy's executive team started with the company in this way, so the message is this course could be the start of a truly amazing engineering career."

While anyone who meets the criteria can apply, EDF Energy is very keen to encourage young women to consider a career in engineering with the company. Rachel Pellegrini, 19 years old from Ardrossan, started the scheme at Hunterston B power station in 2013, now in her third year, Rachel said, "I would encourage any young person who thinks this is the job for them to apply. I have thoroughly enjoyed the training so far within EDF Energy and it really is a great opportunity."

The information day will have a number of staff on hand to share their experiences of working in the nuclear industry. There will also be a presentation and an opportunity to ask questions about the programme.

If you would like to come along or find out more, please call 01294 826 000 to book your place.



You will need to register your attendance in advance for the specific date and time.

Hunterston B power station visitor centre is open from Monday to Friday between 9 am and 4pm or at weekends by request. If you would like a plant tour you would need to book in advance on 01294 826 008 or you can e-mail [hunterstonbtours@edf-energy.com](mailto:hunterstonbtours@edf-energy.com).

## Company news

### **Strategic Investment Agreement signed for the construction and operation of the proposed Hinkley Point C**

EDF and China General Nuclear Power Corporation (CGN) have signed a Strategic Investment Agreement for the construction and operation of the proposed Hinkley Point C nuclear power station in Somerset.

Conditions to allow the Hinkley Point C project to go ahead are in place. These are the signing of the Strategic Investment Agreement, all the agreements between EDF and the UK Government being in a final agreed form, as are the contracts with the key suppliers.

Under the Strategic Investment Agreement, EDF's share in Hinkley Point C will be 66.5% and CGN's will be 33.5%. Without reducing this initial stake below 50%, EDF intends in due course to bring other investors into the project.

China General Nuclear Power Corporation (CGN) will make its investment in the UK through its new company called General Nuclear International (GNI). EDF and CGN have also agreed the Heads of Terms of a wider UK partnership for the joint development of new nuclear power stations at Sizewell in Suffolk and Bradwell in Essex. Terms will be in final form before the final investment decision for Hinkley Point C.

This signing paves the way for the Hinkley Point C project to go ahead and sets the steps for a final investment decision subject to:

- finalisation of long form documentation based on Head of Terms agreed
- finalisation by EDF of its financing plan
- approval by the boards of EDF and CGN
- clearance by merger control and other governmental authorities in China and Europe.

### Next local community meeting

The next Site Stakeholder meetings (SSG) is on 3 December 2015.

This meeting will take place in the Lauriston Hotel, Ardrossan; Lunch will be at 1 pm, followed by the meeting at 1.30 pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend, and these meetings will be advertised in the local press.

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## Glossary of terms

Term	Definition
Unit	A unit refers to one of the reactors at the power station and its generating turbine
Nuclear reportable event or incident	Nuclear reportable events are events reported to the Office of Nuclear Regulation (ONR) in compliance with EDF Energy's nuclear site licences.
Environmental event or incident	Environmental events arise from wastes or discharges above permitted levels or breaches of permitted conditions.
Lost Time Incident (LTI)	When a member of staff injures themselves at work, and is absent from work for one day or more, this is referred to as a lost-time incident (LTI)
Outage	A period during which a reactor is shut down. The periodic shutdown of a reactor including for maintenance, inspection and testing or, in some cases, for refuelling is known as a planned outage. In the UK, some planned outages are known as statutory outages and are required by the conditions attached to the nuclear site licence needed to operate the station. Unscheduled shutdown of a reactor for a period is known as an unplanned outage.