

Hinkley Point B power station

April 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 **March 2018**.

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 two years since the last employee lost time incident.

During the reporting period Hinkley Point B's strong environmental performance was recognised by the company after it was revealed for the second successive year the station had won a prestigious internal Radiological Safety Award. This award reflects the health of the power station's radiological safety programme and the progress made with implementing radiological protection improvement plan initiatives. Generation's Region 1 chief nuclear officer, Mike Harrison, presented the award during one of his visits to the station in March.



On 19 March a member of staff sustained a minor arm fracture after slipping on a patch of ice in the main car park. The injured person received first aid treatment from on-site first aiders before being transferred to hospital as a precautionary measure. The station is holding a thorough investigation into the circumstances surrounding the event, and we are pleased to report the individual returned to work the following day and is expected to make a full recovery.

Station generation

Reactor 3 has been on-line since 19 February 2018, and operated at nominal full load throughout March.

After 212 days of safe and reliable generation, reactor 4 was manually shutdown on Monday 26 March to begin a major planned outage maintenance and inspection programme worth £23m. One



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thousand extra workers have teamed up with the station's existing workforce during the seven week shutdown period, which has been the result of two years of detailed preparation. The maintenance periods known as "statutory outages" take place every three years and are planned in advance with the National Grid to ensure that there is no impact on the national electricity supply. Hinkley Point B's other reactor is due to continue operating normally throughout the period.

Station Director, Peter Evans, said: "This inspection and investment programme has been carefully planned over the last two years and will enable us to continue safely generating low carbon electricity at Hinkley Point B for many years to come."

As part of the outage preparation work, a large load carrying transformer units recently arrived at Combwich Wharf. After being unloaded onto a heavy load vehicle at high tide, the units were transported by road to the power station on Sunday 4 March.



Company news

Sizewell C and Bradwell B power stations' economic boost

MPs, Lords and business leaders from the East of England were shown the economic boost delivered from building a new nuclear power station at a meeting in Westminster. They met suppliers and apprentices as EDF Energy launched a new report detailing the training, skills, jobs and local contracts made possible by the construction of its Hinkley Point C power station in Somerset. EDF Energy is already at work with business and education groups in the east to repeat the success story at the proposed Sizewell C and Bradwell B power stations. The report shows that almost 200 apprentices have already started careers at Hinkley Point. The report also shows that more than £465m of contracts have been awarded in the south-west and that a third of employment opportunities are due to be filled by local people.

John Dugmore, Suffolk Chamber of Commerce chief executive said: "The event shows how new nuclear can support the regional economy and can give a long-lasting boost to regional and local businesses."

Jim Crawford, Sizewell C project development director, said: "Nuclear has a bigger impact on jobs and skills than any other technology - especially compared to importing energy. We are determined to



use that impact to leave a positive legacy and today's report shows that we are delivering on our promises. Bradwell B in Essex would follow the Sizewell project – multiplying the positive effect on people and the economy from Sizewell B and C.”

Next community meeting

The next Site Stakeholder Group meeting will be held on Friday 29 June 2018 from 10am to 1pm at a venue to be confirmed.

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