

Hinkley Point B power station

October 2017 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 **October 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.

Station generation

Reactor 3 was manually shutdown on Thursday 19 October after routine monitoring activities revealed a higher than expected temperature on a busbar located on the generator brushgear. Following repairs, the unit was successfully returned to service on Thursday 26 October. Apart from this shutdown, the reactor has 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 October.

Station news

A seal of approval from an unexpected visitor

Hinkley Point B's focus on safety extended to an uninvited guest in October after a seal became trapped in one of the station's water intake chambers.

As soon as it was spotted on Wednesday 11 October, station staff and contract partners worked together on a plan to extract the seal without causing distress. On Friday 13 October the recovery team's efforts paid off and the grey seal was successfully caught, lifted to safety and released back into the sea.

A big thank you to everybody involved with the seal's safe capture and release.



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New apprentices join *Team Hinkley*

THE next generation of apprentices started work at Hinkley Point B power station after securing places on the company's coveted four-year apprenticeship scheme. Hundreds of young people applied to join the engineering maintenance apprenticeship, with Hinkley Point B's intake largely coming from schools and colleges around the station and across Somerset. The majority of the 2017 apprentices come from Bridgwater and the surrounding villages, with one from Taunton and another from Totnes in Devon. We would like to wish them the very best with their careers.

Community news

Sponsorships and Donations

EDF Energy continues to support local charities and organisations. Over the last few months, beneficiaries have included:-

- > Bridgwater Guy Fawkes Carnival
- > Burnham and Highbridge Choral Society
- > Children's Hospice South West
- > Escape Support Group
- > Help for Heroes
- > Homeless Shoebox Appeal, Bridgwater
- > Nelson Trust, Bridgwater
- > Royal National Lifeboat Institution, Burnham on Sea
- > Salvation Army, Taunton
- > Samaritans of Taunton and Somerset
- > Sedgemoor Chess Club
- > Somerset and Avon Rape and Sexual Abuse Support
- > Spaxton Junior Football Club
- > Stroke Association
- > Taunton Rugby Club (Juniors)
- > Ups and Downs South West
- > Watchet Town Football Club (under 8's team)

Hinkley Point Visitor Centre

Members of the public and organised groups have been taking the opportunity to visit Hinkley Point's visitor centre since it opened in December 2012. Over 70,000 people have visited the interactive centre which is based in Bridgwater's Angel Place Shopping Centre. The visitor centre is open six days a week, Monday to Friday 09:00 hours to 16:00 hours and on Saturdays between 09:00 hours and 13:00 hours. An EDF Energy customer services representative is also there every Wednesday between 10:00 hours and 15:00 hours answering customer queries. To find out more information about the visitor centre or to book a tour of Hinkley Point B power station, email hinkleybtours@edf-energy.com or telephone 01278 429225 / 01278 428988. Since the visitor centre opened over 13,000 people have visited the Hinkley Point B site.

Company news

Vincent de Rivaz steps down as Chief Executive Officer

Vincent de Rivaz CBE has stepped down as Chief Executive Officer of EDF Energy after nearly 16 years in charge, he will be succeeded by Simone Rossi.

Simone was until recently Senior Vice President of EDF's International Division based in Paris, after serving in London as Chief Financial Officer of EDF Energy from 2011 to 2015.

EDF Group Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Jean-Bernard Lévy said: "I thank Vincent warmly for his outstanding contribution to EDF throughout his remarkable career.



"Under his leadership, EDF Energy has grown to be the UK's largest generator of electricity, supplying more than 65TWh of low carbon nuclear electricity in 2016. The landmark Hinkley Point C project is now fully under way, and Vincent leaves the company in a strong position for future success.

"Under Simone's leadership, EDF Energy will be tackling some of the most significant opportunities and challenges associated with assuring Great Britain's future needs for energy in the low carbon economy."

EDF Energy is the UK's largest producer of low-carbon electricity, and supplies electricity and gas to millions of residential and business customers. It is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the EDF Group.

Vincent toured a selection of EDF Energy's sites to bid farewell to staff, and during his visit to Heysham power station Vincent announced that the visitor centres across the country had now reached 500,000 interactions with the public.

Next community meeting

The next Site Stakeholder Group meeting will be held on Friday 23 February 2018 from 10am to 1pm at a venue to be confirmed.

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