

Torness monthly report

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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.

Safety

- The station had zero lost time incidents (LTI) during the reporting period. EDF Energy staff have had 509 LTI free days (more than a year) up to 31 October and contract partners have had 1209 LTI free days up to 31 October – that's more than three years.
- The station had no emergency services call outs during October.
- There was one first aid injury at the station in October.
- The station had no environmental events during October and has gone 2451 days without an environmental event (over six years).

Station output

Three flasks containing spent fuel were safely transported to Sellafield for reprocessing during the period.

Both reactors were operational for the whole month.

We generated 891,429 MWh in October; this is enough low carbon electricity to power around 223, 500 homes and avoid 0.3 million tonnes of CO₂e emissions and equivalent greenhouse gasses (known as MtCO₂e) (when compared to direct emissions of combined cycle gas turbines)

Station news

Maintenance apprenticeship opens for applications



We're looking for our new intake of Engineering Maintenance Apprentices to join EDF Energy in August 2018. It's a four year programme where apprentices will spend the first two years based at our Engineering Training Academy at the Royal Naval base, HMS Sultan followed by two years on one of our nuclear power stations.

They will complete a Maintenance and Operations Engineering Technician Apprenticeship Certificate, BTEC Level 3 and possibly further education such as a HNC. As well as earning as they learn, they've got a good chance of securing a permanent job

at the end of it all.

Applications are now open and will close on 15 January 2018.

Torness power station is holding an information day for applicants. The information days will prove invaluable to anyone considering a career with EDF Energy.

Come along, find out more and meet the team at Torness on Sunday, 10 December. Spaces are limited and you MUST book. Email: Gillian.Farquhar@edf-energy.com

Bright sparks start Torness apprenticeships

Torness power station's latest recruits have joined the company to start their apprenticeship in the nuclear industry.

The six new recruits for the East Lothian station, Connol McNeill (18) from Eyemouth, Lisa Hilferty (22) from Thurston, Callum Souter (19) from Edinburgh, Murray Gilvray (17) from North Berwick, Paige Gould (19) from Dalkeith and Thomas Summerfield (17) from Cardenden in Fife were appointed after an exhaustive recruitment process.



The group started their careers with EDF Energy with a team-building week in the Lake District where they met other apprentices from power stations across the UK. The apprentices took part in a series of challenges which culminated in climbing Helvellyn.

Station director, Paul Winkle, said: "The group came to visit the station before their trip to Ullswater. It was a pleasure to welcome them to site and they showed a great deal of enthusiasm for the learning they are about to undertake. I wish them well as they start their new engineering careers."

With the outward bound course complete, the apprentices are now studying at HMS Sultan in Portsmouth where they will spend the next two years. The apprentices will learn basic engineering skills in their first year, before specialising into their trade in the second year.

Apprentice coordinator, Gillian Farquhar, said: "The apprentices have started their training just as recruitment for next year's intake begins."

The apprentice recruitment also supports EDF Energy's national campaign #PrettyCurious to change teenage girls' perceptions of science and inspire them to pursue science-based careers.

Company news

New CEO takes over the reigns



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 Levy 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 each 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 local community meeting

22 March 2018 from 10:00 – 13:00

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Glossary of terms

Term	Definition
Nuclear reportable event or incident	Nuclear reportable events are significant events, such as non-compliance with or inadequacy in the safety case. These (along with other, less significant events) are reported to the Office for 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 which result in an environmental impact. These (along with other, less significant events) are reported to SEPA.
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.
Unit	A unit refers to one of the reactors at the power station and its generating turbine.
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)