



Applying for a nuclear site licence – a stepwise guide

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Existing guidance

- ‘The Licensing of Nuclear Installations’ is a comprehensive document issued in 2007
- HSE Generic Design Acceptance guidance was issued in January 2007 and revised in July 2007
- There is extensive further guidance on the HSE website - Safety Assessment Principles, Technical Inspection and Assessment Guides

New draft stepwise guide for licensing

- IAEA IRRS 2006 recommended that HSE should issue a guide to the steps for licence application.
- Current licensees are familiar with NII licensing processes. However this may not be the case for potential applicants for new build, who come with a wide range of experience.
- An early draft was emailed to seminar participants with a questionnaire.

Definitiveness

- This guidance is not definitive, nor should it be
- It will not answer all of your questions
- We will be confronted with circumstances that are new to us, and we do not want to attempt to prejudge all situations
- We encourage discussions with HSE

Comments on guidance

- The guidance is a recently developed draft.
- We ask for comments on the potential usefulness of such a guide and what additional information you might find useful.
- These questions were sent to you with the draft. Please give the answers to Sue Connor of the JPO today or email them to new.reactor.build@hse.gsi.gov.uk in 2 weeks preferably.