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Closure of Regulatory Observation – RO-ABWR-0072 – Suitable and Sufficient Consideration of Chemistry Control During UK ABWR Commissioning

I refer to Regulatory Observation RO-ABWR-0072 issued on 15 August 2016.

I am writing to confirm that:

- You have submitted the information committed within your Resolution Plan.
- This information has been reviewed by ONR and we judge that it provides an adequate response to the Regulatory Observation.

One remaining matter has been identified where I require further information to complete my overall assessment of this topic, relating to the application (and timing) of surface treatments to UK ABWR structures, systems or components, to reduce radioactivity so far as is reasonably practicable within the design. As this matter is much more specific than the overall requirements of RO-ABWR-0072 and relates exclusively to materials selection matters, I have captured it as a new action (Regulatory Observation Action 8) under RO-ABWR-0035.

On this basis, I can confirm the closure of RO-ABWR-0072.

A copy of this letter will be published on the ONR website in due course.

Yours sincerely,