About this consultation

Joint Magnox Ltd / Inutec Ltd environmental permit partial transfer application, Winfrith, DT2 8WG.

The aim of this consultation is to seek your views and comments relevant to the permit partial transfer application above.

* 1. Non -Technical Summary

This consultation will enable us to collect stakeholder views on the partial permit transfer application from the Magnox Ltd site to Inutec Ltd, both at the Winfrith nuclear site in Dorset.

The Magnox reactor research and development site is in an accelerated decommissioning phase and is expected to be decommissioned by 2023. Inutec Ltd (trading as Tradebe Inutec) is a nuclear waste management facility on the Winfrith Site. Inutec Ltd has operated as a tenant on the Winfrith Nuclear Licenced site since 1996. It operates as a tenant under its own environmental permit (EPR/PP3890SE).

Inutec Ltd is applying to the Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR) to become a nuclear operator in its own right and continue with its strategic role in the UK Nuclear Industry waste supply chain.

In order for Inutec Ltd to continue operations it has jointly applied with Magnox Ltd for a partial transfer of part of the Magnox permit.

As part of this process, we will determine whether Inutec Ltd has suitable management arrangements, and resources that are sufficient to achieve compliance with the conditions of the part transferred permit.

* 1. What your response will be used for

We will take your consultation responses into consideration as part of our determination of the partial transfer of the Magnox Ltd environmental permit to Inutec Ltd. If we decide to grant the partial transfer we will explain how we made our decision and how we have addressed the concerns that were raised.

We will only transfer part of the Magnox Ltd permit if we believe that harm to the environment, people and wildlife will be minimised and that the receiving operator (Inutec Ltd) has the ability to meet the conditions of the permit. Providing a business can prove that the proposed activities meets all legal requirements, including environmental, technological and health requirements, then we are legally obliged to transfer the permit, even if some people do not approve of the decision.

* 1. How to respond

If you would like to comment online, please use our online consultation tool in Citizen Space <https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/>

If you would like to send your response by post, please send to;

Environment Agency

Nuclear Regulation Group (South)

Red Kite House

Howbery Park

Crowmarsh Gifford

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OX10 8BD

If you'd prefer to submit your response by email or if you would like to ask for a printed version of the document to be posted to you, please email the Nuclear Regulation Group South; email nrg.south@environment-agency.gov.uk

* 1. How we will use your information

All comments which are made publicly available will exclude email addresses and telephone numbers. Any comments where confidentiality has been claimed will not appear on the public register.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we may be required to publish your response to this consultation, but will not include any personal information. If you have requested to keep your response confidential, we may still be required to provide a summary of it.

* 1. Consultation principles

We are running this consultation in accordance with the criteria set out in the government's consultation principles.

If you have any queries or complaints about the way this consultation has been carried out, please contact;

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