

Good Afternoon

this if offered as a private citizen and in no way reflects the views of Sellafield Limited.

I have just read the latest issue from the NDA on the future of plutonium within the UK.

Whilst accepting that the NDA can only speak for their own sites it does seem shortsighted as once Plutonium is "finished with" by the MoD it is transferred back to Sellafield.

Much as what happened when Britain last down scaled its nuclear armament -mid '00s.

However ignoring this fact it would appear that the UK is spreading its risk by having Pu spread around the country - with major stockpiles at Sellafield and Dounreay.

It would appear to be more economic and easier to safeguard if all held in one location ie Sellafield as the largest stockpile holder.

This would also encompass PCM waste which does not appear to get much of a mention in the strategy documents - appears to be mainly based on PuO powder.

I would suggest that all Pu material be stocked piled at Sellafield until a permanent safe storage option can be determined.

With Regards

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