NUCLEAR INDUSTRY COUNCIL

Terms of Reference

Purpose

1. The Nuclear Industry Council (hereafter ‘the NIC’) is the main body to facilitate co-operation between the nuclear industry and Government. Its overarching role is to tackle long-term challenges facing the industry and to help realise future opportunities through strategic decision making.

Key responsibilities

2. The NIC will:

- Provide a forum for discussion and exchange of views about long-term strategic issues across the whole nuclear industry, including defence;
- Agree: (i) priority issues for the industry; and (ii) key objectives; to be taken forward by the Nuclear Industry Association’s (NIA) Delivery Group and Working Groups (see Annex B);
- Oversee implementation of the Delivery Group’s work and provide strategic guidance and constructive challenge to delivery;
- Drive the Government’s work on industrial strategy for the nuclear sector; and
- Work with wider industry and the academic/research community to underpin those actions needed to realise industry and government’s long-term vision for the sector.

Chair

3. The NIC will be co-chaired by:

- Lord Hutton (Chairman, Nuclear Industry Association (NIA))
- Jesse Norman (Minister for Energy and Industry, Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS))

Membership and Quorum

4. Membership for the period 2017 – 2019 is shown at Annex A.

5. Members have been selected to provide a breadth of knowledge and experience across industry and government. Industry members have been selected in a
personal capacity, and will be expected to speak for their areas of expertise rather than the specific interests of their organisation.

6. Members are expected to make every effort to attend meetings in person. If individual members are no longer able to attend NIC meetings, they should inform the NIC Secretariat.

7. The ONR member is independent of both government and the nuclear industry.

8. Membership will be reviewed by Ministers and the NIA every two years. Within this period membership may be amended to take account of changing priorities in the industry, in order to make sure appropriate coverage is maintained.

9. Additional representatives may be invited to NIC meetings where appropriate – for example if a specific topic for discussion would benefit from an industry expert not represented on the NIC.

10. Quorum for the Council is 15 members, including officials and co-chairs.

**Operation and Structure**

11. The NIC will meet three times a year unless otherwise required.

12. The role of the Council is to set strategic direction and to facilitate high level discussion and decision making. Actions from the NIC will be owned by the NIA’s Delivery Group. BEIS and the NIA will share Secretariat responsibilities for the Council.

13. The NIA’s Delivery Group will oversee various Working Groups, whose role will be to implement recommendations and actions agreed by the NIC. The NIA will be Chair and Secretariat of the Delivery Group.

14. The scope and number of the Working Groups will be flexible and decided by the Delivery Group to ensure that priority issues for the nuclear industry are covered. Some Working Groups may be formed from existing organisations, such as the Nuclear Skills Strategy Group (NSSG), who will act as the Working Group for skills.

15. The Working Groups are industry led so industry will provide Chair and Secretariat for these. The Chairs should be drawn from members of the Delivery Group.

16. A schematic showing the structure of the NIC and its supporting groups is at Annex B.
Annex A. Membership 2017 – 2019

Industry:

- Clive White (Amec Foster Wheeler)
- Duncan Hawthorn (Horizon)
- Harry Holt (Rolls Royce)
- Humphrey Cadoux-Hudson (EdF)
- Kevin Coyne (TUSNE)
- Matt Tuck (MATOM)
- Mike Clancy (Prospect)
- Mike Tynan (NAMRC)
- Paul Foster (Sellafield Ltd)
- Paul Howarth (NNL)
- Paul Westbury (Laing O’Rourke)
- Simon Bowen (Cavendish Nuclear)
- Sue Ion (NIRAB)
- Terry Hill (Arup/ Independent)
- Tom Greatrex (NIA)
- Tom Samson (NuGen)
- Tier 1 Defence TBC

Government:

- Campbell Kier (DIT)
- David Peattie (NDA)
- Julian Kelly (MoD)
- Ken Skates (Welsh Government)
- Stephen Speed (BEIS)

Regulator:

- Adrienne Kelbie (ONR)
Annex B. Structure:

NIC
Secretariat: BEIS + NIA

Delivery Group
Chair and Secretariat by NIA

Working Group
Working Group
Working Group
Working Group