



**Sellafield Ltd**

## **Sellafield Ltd Company Policy**

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**This Sellafield Ltd Policy is approved by the SL Board; it represents the SL Board's direction to the business on this topic. Compliance with this policy is mandatory through aligning Sellafield Ltd Management System processes and people behaviours to the commitments below.**

## **Nuclear Safety Policy**

### **Policy Statement**

Nuclear Safety is our number one priority. We shall ensure the protection of workers, the public and the environment from undue radiological hazard by achieving and maintaining appropriate operating conditions, preventing accidents and mitigating accident consequences. Sellafield Ltd will achieve this high standard of Nuclear Safety performance through a systematic approach that develops nuclear safety culture, improves behaviours; effectiveness of processes; understanding of performance expectations and continuously reinforces standards and values..

### **Commitments**

#### **We shall be a company that:**

- makes safety including nuclear safety first and foremost in our decision making
- endeavours to engineer out or minimise the hazard by design or modification
- ensures effective leadership and management for nuclear safety. Our leaders will demonstrate behaviours and commitments reinforcing high nuclear safety standards
- recognises that everyone is responsible and accountable for nuclear safety and, as such, we will hold ourselves and each other accountable to the highest standards of ethical, conservative and technically informed decision making and behaviours in all our work and ensure standards are understood and re-enforced
- embraces organisational learning and continuous improvement
- ensures that our directors, managers and leaders at all levels focus the organisation on achieving and sustaining high standards of nuclear safety and performance improvement
- will pursue aggressively solutions which will deliver the lowest practicable overall lifetime risk. This may require accepting more short term risks in order to achieve the long term benefits
- ensures that appropriate decisions at all levels that affect nuclear safety are rational, objective, transparent and prudent
- embraces and utilises the processes and principles underpinning nuclear safety in how we behave and interact with each other and our stakeholders
- if our processes are found to be inadequate we must identify, mitigate and aggressively work to correct them and shall learn lessons from internal and external sources and continually improve leadership, organisational capability, nuclear safety decision making and performance
- actively involves our workforce and their technical knowledge and operational expertise in the development of plans and solutions
- maintains effective processes, systems and arrangements that embody the best international and world-leading technical and managerial practices in nuclear safety
- we shall ensure that our designated physical systems are robust, procedures are accurate and personnel are highly skilled, qualified and suitably experienced

- shall include defence in depth within all our activities and systems according to risk
- demonstrates effective understanding of hazards, risks and their control through a comprehensive and systematic process of safety assessment supported through the preparation and implementation of safety cases
- ensures that procedures for controlling radiation risks are implemented so that these risks are as low as reasonably practicable, including those risks arising from accidents involving radiation
- has in place effective procedures for emergency preparedness and response