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STATEMENT OF THE NUCLEAR DECOMMISSIONING FUNDING ACCOUNT 2014-15 - FOREWORD

Under Section 32 (1) of the Energy Act 2004 the Secretary of State must prepare a statement of the Nuclear Decommissioning Funding Account (the Statement). The Statement for 2014-15 is set out on page six.

Consolidated Fund, the Department of Energy and Climate Change's Annual Report and Accounts 2014-15 (HC 36) and the NDA's Annual Report and Accounts 2014-15 (HC 197).

The Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA) became fully operational as a non-departmental body of the Department of Trade and Industry (now Department of Energy and Climate Change) on 1 April 2005. It is responsible for the decommissioning and clean up of all designated civil public sector nuclear sites.

Stephen Lovegrove Accounting Officer and Permanent Secretary 14th July 2015

In addition to its decommissioning responsibility, the NDA is also required to operate existing commercial activities on its sites until current contracts with UK and overseas customers have been met. The Government is committed to funding the full costs of the decommissioning and clean up of the civil nuclear liabilities arising at the NDA's sites.

The Statement sets out the notional funding available from the Consolidated Fund for use by the NDA during 2014-15 on its activities and the funding that the NDA drew down from the Consolidated Fund during that period. The underlying funding is accounted for within the

THE REPORT OF THE COMPTROLLER AND AUDITOR GENERAL TO THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT

The Secretary of State is responsible for the preparation of a Statement of the Nuclear Decommissioning Funding Account (the Statement) in accordance with section 32(1) of the Energy Act 2004. The Statement shows the debits and credits recorded in the Nuclear Decommissioning Funding Account during the year ended 31 March 2015 under section 32(2) of the Energy Act 2004 and the determination made by the Secretary of State made under section 31(4)(c) of the Energy Act 2004.

My responsibility is to examine and report to Parliament on the Statement in accordance with section 32(5) of the Energy Act 2004. I plan and perform my examination so as to obtain all the information and explanations which I considered necessary to provide me with sufficient evidence that the Statement is consistent with the requirements of Section 31 of the Energy Act 2004. In addition I read the Foreword to identify material inconsistencies with the Statement. If I become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies I consider the implications for my report.

The Nuclear Decommissioning Funding Account is a reflection of the notional funding available to and used by the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority.
Consequently, my examination does not constitute an audit carried out in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the contents of the Statement.

I have examined the Statement of the Nuclear Decommissioning Funding Account for the year ended 31 March 2015. Based upon my examination I am satisfied that:

- The entries recorded in the Statement are consistent with the requirements of section 31 of the Energy Act 2004; and,
- The Statement has been prepared in accordance with section 32 of the Energy Act 2004.

Sir Amyas C E Morse Comptroller and Auditor General National Audit Office 157-197 Buckingham Palace Road Victoria, London, SW1W 9SP 16th July 2015

STATEMENT OF NUCLEAR DECOMMISSIONING FUNDING ACCOUNT FOR 2014-15

	2014-15	2014-15	2013-14	2013-14
	Funding	Available	Funding	Available
	used	funding	used	funding
	(debits)	(credits)	(debits)	(credits)
	£m	£m	£m	£m
Opening balance		4,212		3,383
Determination		3,357		3,057
Commercial receipts		1,060		1,086
Total available funding		8,629		7,526
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Total funding drawn down				
from the Consolidated Fund	3,357		3,314	
Closing balance		5,272		4,212

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NUCLEAR DECOMMISSIONING FUNDING ACCOUNT DETERMINATION UNDER SECTION 31(4) OF THE ENERGY ACT 2004

As required by section 31(5)(d) of the Energy Act 2004 (the "Act"), I am publishing the determination I have made for the purposes of section 31(4)(c) in accordance with the statement to the House on 7 December 2004 (Column 86WS) under section 31(6)(a) of the Act, which sets out my policy with regard to the determination of amounts to be credited to the Nuclear Decommissioning Funding Account ("NDFA") under section 31(4)(c) of the Act.

Determination under section 31(4) (c) of the Energy Act 2004:

I hereby determine that the amount to be credited to the NDFA in relation to the financial year 1 April 2014 to 31 March 2015 under section 31(4) (c) of the Act is £3,357,400,000.

Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change 9 July 2015

