

Dame Meg Hillier
Chair of the Committee of Public Accounts
House of Commons
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Dear Dame Meg,

The future of the UK's AGR Nuclear Power Stations

Thank-you for your letter of 21 March 2023 seeking further information on the expected lifetimes of the UK's four generating AGR nuclear power stations.

I was pleased to confirm, in my letter to you dated 13 March 2023, that the lifetime review of Heysham 1 and Hartlepool power stations has concluded. These stations, which have a combined output of 2,200MW, are now forecast to generate until March 2026, a two year extension agreed by EDF's licensee board on 9 March.

With regard to Torness and Heysham 2 power stations, the expected end of generation date for these sites was reviewed in December 2021 and set at March 2028.

We will continue to evaluate the technical information we gather from these stations over the coming period and will make an assessment on whether a further formal lifetime review is needed in the future.

I will keep you updated of any developments in this area.

Yours sincerely,



Paul Morton
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