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IAEA reviews Japan's nuclear resta

31 January 2012

A team of international nuclear safety experts has reviewed procedure to confirm the safety of its nuclear plants as dire conditions grip the country's power industry.

A mission to Japan lasting from 23 to 31 January saw a team (experts from the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) a member states spend time with Japan's nuclear safety regular which is conducting a two-stage assessment process to ensu plants have adequate protection against extreme external ev

While NISA continues its work to review the preliminary asses supported by the Nuclear Safety Commission and the Japane Energy Safety Organization, reactors are still closing one by c mandatory safety inspections. Currently only three are in ope a potential operating fleet of 44, not counting the ten Fukush and Daiini units.

The preliminary report from the IAEA team to the Japanese g said NISA and nuclear operators had "promptly addressed" e safety measures after the accident at Fukushima Daiichi. It o range of recommendations to NISA to ensure thorough and improvements in safety are made.





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Privatisation of Russian state nuclear gia

02 February 2012

Having spent five years combining its nuclear power, engineering and research enterprises into the single entity of Rosatom, the Russian government now sees privatisation of the firm as part of a plan for industrial modernisation.

Rosatom is just one of several vertically integrated state holding companies Russia established to "discourage the decline of the more intellectual sectors of national industry" in the post-Soviet era, wrote Vladimir Putin in the Vedomosti newspaper on 30 January

Currently in the role of prime minister Putin served the maximum two terms as president from 2000 to 2008 and is now campaigning to return to that position in March 2012. He used the lengthy article to set out a range of government targets for Russia to develop its infrastructure, innovation and private enterprise while curbing corruption and improving the legal and

investment environment for business. Vladimir Putin

Speaking of sectors such as aerospace, shipbuilding and nuclear energy Putin wrote: "We had to consolidate those assets which were officially government-owned but managed disjointedly, and which had lost all links with their respective research and design centres."

Government efforts "were focused on restoring Russia's ability to compete in those sectors which involved only a few players on the global market," Putin wrote, emphasising that the "expansion of state capitalism" only occured because there was no private initiative in the sectors. He stressed the scale of state action had no bearing on "our



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Approval for first nuclear new build in America

09 February 2012

American safety regulators gave the go-ahead today for the construction of two new nuclear power reactors.

The vote by the five-member commission brought to an end a regulatory process lasting almost four years that confirmed the safety of building two Westinghouse AP1000 reactors at the Vogtle site in Georgia. It is the first combined construction and operating licence issued by the US



Workers stand in the excavated and waterproofed space for Vogtle 3's reactor building (Image: Southern)

The review work of the NRC staff was celebrated by the commissioners in a confirmatory hearing today. Four commissioners voted to grant the licence, while chairman Gregory Jazcko abstained. He had wanted the licence issued on condition that Southern Company implement NRC recommendations developed in response to the Fukushima accident in Japan last year and said he "could not support issuing this licence as if Fukushima had not happened." The other commissioners spoke to respectfully disagree with Jazcko. Kristine Svinicki said: "There is no amnesia individually or collectively regarding the events of 11 March 2011 and the ensuing accident at Fukushima." She added that NRC staff

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World Nuclear Generating Capacity, GWe (2013 WNA Global Fuel Market Report)





World Nuclear Generating Capacity, GWe 2013 vs 2011 Fuel Market Report



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Reference Case Capacity Net GWe (2013 to 2030) operating serious emerging



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Assessment of Likely Japanese Reactor Restarts 2013 vs 2011 Report



Reactor-by-reactor assessment:

- Age
- Size
- Type
- Location

Nuclear Power Plants in Japan



The Japan Atomic Power Company abolished Tokai Power Station on March 31, 1998 and is currently decommissioning it.



































Global Electricity Generation Mix Evolves



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Projecting Nuclear Reactor Requirements

- Nuclear generating capacity
- Fuel cycle and reactor operating factors load/capacity factors, tails assay, fuel burn-up
- MS Excel-based spreadsheet model computes uranium, conversion and enrichment requirements by year to 2030



Sensitivity of Factors

Table 3.2: Impact on uranium and SWU demand from parameter changes

Parameter	Base value	Change	Impact on U	Impact on SWU
Capacity factor	80%	5%	6%	6%
		-5%	-6%	-6%
Tails assay	0.25%	0.03%	6%	-6%
0.22% 2013		-0.03%	-6%	6%
Market Report	0.15%	0.05%	8%	-13%
		-0.05%	-7%	18%
Burn up	40 GWd/tU	5	-3%	1%
Reactor power	present	10%	12%	12%
level increase		-10%	-15%	-15%



Global Load Factors (using IAEA capacities)





Recent Uranium Production, tU

Global production increased by a third 2008-2012

Mines that have opened since 2011 include:

- Honeymoon (Australia)
- Langer Heinrich Stage 3 (Namibia)
- Novokonstantinovskoe (Ukraine)
- Willow Creek (US)

Ramp-up of existing mines continues, led by Kazakhstan (nearly 2ktU increased production 2011-2012)

Country	2010	2011	2012	% change 2010-2012
Australia	5,900	5,983	6,991	18%
Brazil	148	265	231	56%
Canada	9,783	9,145	8,998	-8%
China	827	885	1,500	81%
India	400	400	385	-4%
Kazakhstan	17,803	19,451	21,317	20%
Malawi	846	1,077	1,101	30%
Namibia	4,496	3,258	4,495	0%
Niger	4,198	4,351	4,667	11%
Russia	3,562	2,993	2,872	-19%
South Africa	583	582	465	-20%
Ukraine	850	890	960	13%
United States	1,660	1,537	1,596	-4%
Uzbekistan	2,400	2,500	2,400	0%
Others	207	178	366	77%
Total	53.663	53,494	58,344	9%



Potential production capacities

Four categories of potential production capacities:

Mines under been made and development spending has commenced)

Planned Mines (mines for which a leastbility study has been completed, regulatory process and project financing are advanced, with a definite start-up date)

Prospective Mines (projects which have undergone previous feasibility study, regulatory approvals initiated and indicative start-up announced)

Supply Pipeline (uncategorised supply to meet future demand, eg, development of early stage projects, resurrection of cancelled or deferred projects, unexpected mine life extensions at existing operations)



Production model discount and delay factors

Three supply scenarios are developed and production capabilities are projected. Production capability for each mine assumes an expected percentage level of the production capacity as well as a 'delay' (in years) to startup

	Reference		Upper		Lower	
	Delay	% Expected	Delay	% Expected	Delay	% Expected
Current Capacity*	0	90%	0	100%	0	85%
Mines Under Development	-2	90%	-1	90%	-2	70%
Planned Mines	-6	80%	-5	90%	-6	70%
Prospective Mines	-8	70%	-7	90%	-8	60%



Reference Scenario Primary Supply to 2030, tU

Compared with the 2011 report, expected primary supply has been significantly revised.

Capacity definitions are now more based on public statements. Many projects have been transferred to the Supply Pipeline category.

Existing capacity incorporates published statements of expected 2030 production (down approx. 20ktU vs 2011 report)

Planned and prospective capacity changes reflect project cancellations/deferments (eg, Olympic Dam, Trekkopje) (down approx. 15ktU in 2030 vs 2011 report)





Conclusions

- WNA nuclear capacity projections have been revised downwards since the 2011 report. Nuclear capacity is still projected to increase at a faster rate than anytime since the 1980s to 574GW by 2030 in the reference scenario leading to projected uranium requirements of 97,000tU.
- Increased uranium market uncertainty has resulted in the cancellation and deferment of a number of mining projects. As a result, existing and expected capacity plus secondary supply will be insufficient on current plans to meet reference scenario requirements by about 2023.



- The amount of identified resources in the Red Book continues to increase rapidly
- The overall cost of mining these resources has increased
- Most of these resources are found in four countries (Australia, Kazak hstan, Russia, Ca nada)

World Uranium Resources



World Identified Resources



Historical Uranium Production – Western World

Production was substantially ahead of reactor requirements until 1985, but has since fallen below. Since 1985, requirements have exceeded production by over 450,000 tU. The difference was covered by inventories and other secondary sources













Mining is a risky business!

Resources

Main risks hampering the development of the biggest U mining projects



Deposit	Financial risks	Technical risks	Political social and environmental risks
Olympic Dam (expansion),	V		V
Cigar Lake	V	V	
Imouraren	V		V
Midwest	V		V
Jabiluka			V
Elkon	V		



Fuel Cycle & Reactor Operating Factors

- Load factors 10% worldwide increase in 1990s but now stable
- Enrichment level rising slowly up to 5% U-235
- Fuel burn-up now rising above 50 GWd/tU
- Tails assay possible substitution between uranium and enrichment depending on relative prices



Reactor Construction Performance

Annex 2: Reactor Construction Times 2003-2013

Construction Times (in years)						
Startups between 2003 and July 2013						
Country	Units	Mean Time	Min	Max		
China	11	5.9	4.4	11.2		
India	6	6.7	5.1	8.8		
S. Korea	5	4.4	4.0	5.3		
Japan	4	4.4	3.8	5.1		
Russia	3	23.8	19.2	26.8		
Ukraine	2	18.8	18.2	19.5		
Iran	1	36.3	36.3	36.3		
Pakistan	1	5.3	5.3	5.3		
Romania	1	24.1	24.1	24.1		
Total	34	9.4	3.8	26.8		

Sources: LAEA-PRIS, MSC, 2013



Percentage Variation in U & SWU Requirements with Tails Assay





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Uranium supply – demand sources





World Uranium Requirements, tU (2013)



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World Uranium Requirements, tU 2013 vs 2011 Reports





Tails Assay

Essentially an economic decision – relative price of U and SWU

- > 0.30%-0.35% until 2003-4, now below 0.25%
- > 2013 Market Report 0.22% for all reactors



China's resourcing of uranium

Background

- Demand for uranium will increase sharply after 2020.
- Domestic production capability is limited. (~1500tU per year)

Government's Guideline- Three "1/3"s

- 1/3 of demand to be satisfied by domestic production;
- 1/3 of demand to be satisfied by purchasing natural uranium globally;
- 1/3 of demand to be satisfied by acquiring overseas resource asset.



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