PHYSICAL SYSTEMS AND REGULATORY OVERSIGHT FOR THE PROTECTION AND OPERATION OF THE NIGERIA RESEARCH REACTOR

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TECHNICAL DETAILS NIGERIA RESEARCH REACTOR-1(NIRR-1)

Reactor TypeTank-in-PCriticality Date3rd Feb. 20Nominal Core Power31 kW(th)Max Neutron Flux1 x 10 E12Coolant/ModeratorDe-ionisedReflectorBe (AnnulaControl Rod1 StainlessAbsorber

Fuel Elements Core (Shielding)

Tank-in-Pool (MNSR) 3rd Feb. 2004 1 x 10 E12 cm E-2 s E-1 **De-ionised Water Be (Annular, Top, Bottom)** 1 Stainless Steel Clad Cd Absorber 347 **Shielded in stainless Steel** lined pool water (Diameter 2.7m; Depth 6.5m)

THE NIGERIA RESEARCH REACTOR IN OPERATION



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EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROGRAMS (EPP)

Participation in IAEA organized
 Programs

• Emergency Preparedness Activities

• Emergency Response Programs (Drills)

Simulating Sabotage

Simulating Terrorist Attacks

PHYSICAL PROTECTION REGIMES

Delay Barriers (Physical Structures) Guard Interventions Regulated Admission of Visitors Nuclear Security Culture Screening of Guests Gate Passes to Visitors Issuance of Badges to Employees 3-Stage Barrier Perimeter Fencing

PHYSICAL PROTECTION STRUCTURES

- Reactor installed at a Protected Area
- Enclosed Zone with limited Access
- Constant Patrol
- **24/7 surveillance by Guard Force**
 - Armed Forces Support
- Central Alarm Activation System
- CCTV Monitoring System
- Graded Approach (Facility, Materials, Drills)

EMERGENCY DRILLS (OBJECTIVES)

• ON SITE RESPONSE

1. Assessment of Evacuating time to MUSTER POINT

2. Response & Attitude of Employees (Emergencies)

3. Human Reliability towards Emergencies

• OFF SITE RESPONSE

Arrival of Teams

 (Time, Preparedness)
 State Force (Police)

3. Medical Team

REGULATORY OVERSIGHT

1.ON SITE:

REACTOR SAFETY COMMITTEE (NIGERIA ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION)

2. OFF SITE:

NIGERIAN NUCLEAR REGULATORY AUTHORITY (ACT 19 OF 1995)

OVERSIGHT FUNCTIONS (ROLES)

	REACTOR SAFETY COMMITTEE	NIGERIA NUCLEAR REGULATORY AUTHORITY
1.	PERIODIC REVIEW OF SAFETY ANALYSIS REPORT	1.LICENSING OF FACILITY AND OPERATORS
2.	ENSURING COMPLIANCE ON SAFETY AND SECURITY	2. REGULATORY OVERSIGHT 3. NUCLEAR MATERIAL ACCOUNTANCY
3.	OPERATION WITHIN THE LIMITS (OLC) ESTABLISHED	4. (AGEING MANAGEMENT)
4.	RECORDS (MATERIAL AUDITING)	STRUCTURES/SYSTEMS/COMPONENTS

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CONCLUDING REMARKS

- CERT HAS OPERATED NIRR-1 FOR OVER THIRTEEN YEARS
- NO ACCIDENT NOR LOSS OF NUCLEAR MATERIALS
- PHYSICAL PROTECTION REGIMES ARE CONSTANTLY REVIEWED
- REGULATORY OVERSIGHT FUNCTIONS
- EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE PROGRAMS –WELL ESTABLISHED
- HIGH PROSPECTS OF A FUTURE NATIONAL NUCLEAR POWER PROGRAMME

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