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Westinghouse Electric Company and the NDA are in “advanced discussions” on a new organizational arrangement for the UK nuclear fuel manufacturing site at Springfields, Westinghouse announced last week. 2

Sellafield has been found to be breaching its discharge levels for antimony-125, the release of which is directly associated with the process of de-canning higher burn-up Magnox fuels in the Magnox Fuel Handling Plant. 3

The Cumbria County Council is calling on the NDA to ensure that low-level waste from Sellafield decommissioning is kept close to the site. 4

The Committee on Radioactive Waste Management, a part-time expert panel to help advise on the long-term management of higher activity waste, is finding itself overloaded with work, notably early stage informal consultations, and may have to rein in its ambitions. 5

The Department of Energy and Climate Change last month proposed new rules to revamp the way power plants connect to the grid by replacing the “first come, first served” system currently used. 6

A decommissioning team at Dounreay has found that household cleaner removes plutonium stains more effectively than many industrial clean-up products. 6

The Studsvik Metal Recycling Facility at Lillyhall, Cumbria, has accepted its first delivery of twelve containers of metallic low-level active waste for treatment. 7

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