

**TOWARDS A NUCLEAR NATIONAL  
POLICY STATEMENT**

Government response to consultations on the Strategic Siting Assessment process and siting criteria for new nuclear power stations in the UK; and to the study on the potential environmental and sustainability effects of applying the criteria

ANNEX D: NOMINATION FORM

OFFICE FOR NUCLEAR DEVELOPMENT

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# Annex D: Nomination Form

## The purpose of this form

This nomination form is to put forward a site for consideration by the Secretary of State as strategically suitable for the deployment of a new nuclear power station by the end of 2025. The Strategic Siting Assessment (SSA) evaluation will be at a strategic and high level and a list of approved sites will be included in the Nuclear National Policy Statement (NPS).

Along with this nomination form, there is an accompanying guidance note at Annex C. This explains how to complete the form in more detail and sets out more fully the information required in connection with each criterion.

Copies of this nomination form in Microsoft Word format are available at <http://www.berr.gov.uk/whatwedo/energy/sources/nuclear/consultations/closed-response/page47749.html>

## Which parts of the form need to be completed

Nominators should fill in as much of the nomination form as possible. The accompanying guide sets out the information we are seeking. However, for some information – for example possible mitigation actions – it is up to the nominator to determine what is appropriate and relevant.

If a nominator does not provide enough information, this may result in a request for further information. However, nominators should be aware that the failure to provide sufficient information may lead to the decision on the strategic suitability of the site for a new nuclear power station being subject to a number of conditions, or to the nomination being rejected completely.

## Other documents that should be submitted with the form

In many cases, the nomination form makes clear what supporting documentation will be required. In other cases, it will depend on the details of the nomination (for example, the specific mitigation actions that may be required). Details of the supporting documentation being provided should be included in the table at the end of each question and in the overall list of supporting documents provided in Section F of the nomination form. Nominators should also include a document reference number (e.g. "001") for each separate supporting document they include and this reference should appear in the relevant tables and be clearly marked on the front of each supporting document itself.

## How many copies of the completed form and supporting documentation should be provided?

Please submit the original and 3 copies of the nomination form and all other supporting material. **Please send all the required information to us in a sealed envelope or package marked “SSA Nomination Process” clearly on the front.**

Please also provide an electronic copy of the form and all supporting documents, preferably on an accompanying disc. We would prefer these documents as clean PDF files. Alternatively please supply Microsoft Word (2003 or earlier) files.

## May nominations be submitted by email?

Because of the number of supporting documents required, paper-based nominations (with electronic files on an accompanying disc) are strongly preferred.

If nominators regard any information that they provide as commercially confidential and not for publication, they should make this clear on the relevant document or relevant part of the nomination form. They should also provide two versions of the documents provided electronically – one for publication (with the information removed or blacked out) and one not for publication.

## What is the deadline?

Completed nomination forms and all associated documents should reach us by 5pm on Tuesday, 31 March 2009.

## Where should completed nomination forms be sent?

The address for nominations is:

SSA Nominations  
Bay 128  
Department of Energy and Climate Change  
1 Victoria Street  
London  
SW1H 0ET  
ssanominations@decc.gsi.gov.uk

## A Location and other qualifying information

### A1 Please describe the location of the site

**Title / name of site**

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**Description (in words)**

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### A2 Please set out, by delineating on an Ordnance Survey map at 1:10,000 scale, the boundary of the site.

<b>Documents provided in support of A2</b>	<b>Your reference number</b>
	Please add a reference number to each document you provide
Annotated Ordnance Survey map at 1:10,000 scale showing boundary of the area nominated	001

### A3 Is your nomination accompanied by a letter of support from a Credible Nuclear Power Operator (CNPO)?

**Yes**  *If 'yes', then please include the letter from the CNPO with your completed form*

**No**  *If 'no', then please include an explanation as to why it is credible that a new nuclear power station can developed at the site set out in A1 and A2 for deployment by the end of 2025.*

*In addition, and given the importance of meeting carbon dioxide emissions targets, the Government would welcome information about sites that are capable of early deployment. The letter of support from the CNPO or the nominator's own statement should therefore also consider whether a new nuclear power station could be deployed on the site before 2025, the potential timescales for this early deployment, an estimate of the profile of early generation capacity that may be achievable on the nominated site and the reasons behind this statement.*

Documents provided in support of A3	Your reference number
Letter from CNPO / Statement from the nominator as to why the site is credible for deployment by 2025 ( <i>delete as appropriate</i> )	

**A4 Have you taken steps to raise awareness of the nomination with local communities living in the vicinity of the site, including the owner(s) of the nominated sites?**

**Yes**  *If 'yes', then please provide, as a separate document, a statement of what you have done to meet this requirement. You should demonstrate that you have met the minimum requirement (making the relevant local authority, RDA, and any land owners aware of the nomination and taking steps to publicise the nomination to the wider community through advertisements in local newspapers) together with any additional steps you have taken. Please confirm that you have made available information about how people can have their say to the Government, as outlined in our guidance.*

**No**  *If 'no', then the Government may not be able to consider your nomination further. However, you should explain why it has not been possible to meet the requirement and what you plan to do to remedy the deficiency and the timescales for doing so.*

Documents provided in support of A4	Your reference number

**A5 To help the Government ensure that alternative sites for new nuclear build have been sufficiently considered at the strategic level, please set out (in a separate document if necessary) the process you followed for selecting this site for nomination, rather than any alternatives, together with the reasons that led you to make this selection:**

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Documents provided in support of A5	Your reference number

**B Information about the person, company or other corporate body submitting the nomination**

**B1 Please provide the full name and address and other contact details of the individual, company or other corporate body making this nomination**

**Name of nominator**

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**Trading/business name (if different from above and if appropriate)**

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**Address**

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**Postcode**

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**Registered Office Address (if different from above and if appropriate)**

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**Postcode**

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**Company registration number (if applicable)**

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**B2 Holding Companies**

**Is the nominator a subsidiary of a holding company within the meaning of Section 736 of the Companies Act 1985?**

**No**  *If 'no', then please proceed to question B3*

**Yes**  *If 'yes' then please complete the information below*

**Name of ultimate holding company**

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**Address**

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**Postcode**

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**Registered Office Address (if different)**

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**Postcode**

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**Company registration number**

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### **B3 Who can we contact about your application?**

**Please provide the details of someone whom we can contact directly with any questions about your application or information about its progress. The person you name should have the authority to act on behalf of the nominator and this information should be updated if either the contact or if the company pursuing the nomination change.**

**Name**

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**Position**

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**Address**

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\_\_\_\_\_ **Postcode** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone number (office)** \_\_\_\_\_ **(mobile)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Fax number** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail address** \_\_\_\_\_

## **C Information required about the SSA exclusionary criteria**

### **C1 Demographic risk (exclusionary criterion)**

**Given the complexity of this calculation the Government has decided that it is not reasonable to expect nominators to carry out this calculation themselves; rather the calculations will be undertaken by the NII for the area of the nominated site.**

**Nominators therefore do not need to provide any further information, beyond the description of the site set out in A1 and A2, to support the assessment of this exclusionary criterion.**

## C2 Proximity to Military Activities (exclusionary criterion)

Given the security considerations around the information for this criterion, the Government has decided that it is not reasonable to require nominators to provide it themselves; rather the assessment will be undertaken by MoD for the area of the nominated site.

Nominators therefore do not need to provide any further information, beyond the description of the site set out in A1 and A2, to support the consideration of this exclusionary criterion.

Please note that proximity to other military activities is also covered in D5 as a discretionary criterion.

## D Information required about the SSA discretionary criteria

### D1 Flooding (discretionary criterion)

Does the site (as set out in A1 and A2) fall within any areas of high flood risk – for example, within zone 3 of the Environment Agency flood risk categorisation?

**No**  *If 'no', then please proceed to question D2.*

**Yes**  *If 'yes' please explain which parts of the nominated site are affected in this way and the basis for this view.*

**Description of any parts of the site that are affected by flooding risks as described above (if relevant). Please include a map, if appropriate.**

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**If you have answered 'yes' to D1 above, you should set out in a separate document which should be submitted with this nomination form why it is reasonable to conclude, at a strategic level, that a new nuclear power station within the nominated site could be protected against flood risk throughout its operational lifetime, including the potential effects of climate change, storm surge and tsunamis. Please outline any countermeasures that you are assuming would need to be taken.**

**In addressing these points you should make sure that you have covered:**

- the protection measures you believe would be appropriate to protect the site against flooding;
- whether the protection measures would affect other designated areas;
- the assumptions that have been made about off-site flood protection and water management and, in particular, the reliance on flood protection measures which are in the control of other parties, such as neighbouring landowners or government bodies;
- the potential for flooding to impede access to the site in respect of both normal operations and emergency services;
- whether the development of a new nuclear power station on the site (including any likely mitigation measures) is likely to increase flood risk elsewhere;
- why it is reasonable to conclude that the nominated site is likely to pass the sequential test as set out in the guidance to nominators.

Documents provided in support of D1	Your reference number

**D2 Coastal erosion or other landscape change scenarios (discretionary criterion)**

**Does the site (as set out in A1 and A2) cover any areas that are at risk from coastal erosion or other landscape change scenarios?**

**No**  *If 'no', then please explain why you consider this to be the case and proceed to question D3.*

**Explanation as to why the site will not be affected by the risks described above (if relevant). Please set out in a separate document, if necessary.**

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**Yes**  *If 'yes', please explain which parts of the site are affected in this way and the basis for this view. You should also provide the further supporting information requested below.*

**Description of any parts of the site that are affected by the risks described above (if relevant). Please include a map, if appropriate.**

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**If you have answered ‘yes’ to D2 above, you should set out in a separate document, which should be submitted with this nomination form, why it is reasonable to conclude, at a strategic level, that a new nuclear power station within the nominated site could be protected against coastal erosion and other landscape change scenarios, including the potential effects of climate change, for the lifetime of the station. Please outline any countermeasures that you are assuming would need to be taken.**

**In addressing these points, or otherwise, you should make sure that you have covered the following:**

- the wider impacts of any coastal protection countermeasures on areas surrounding the development of a new nuclear power station within the site;
- interaction with the local and regional plans for coastal protection and watercourse management; and
- any reliance on third party schemes for protection that is being assumed.

<b>Documents provided in support of D2</b>	<b>Your reference number</b>

**D3 Proximity to hazardous facilities (discretionary criterion)**

**Given the security considerations relating to the information for this criterion, the Government has decided that it is not reasonable to require nominators to provide this themselves. Rather the assessment will be undertaken by the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) for the area of the nominated site.**

**Nominators therefore do not need to provide any further information, beyond the description of the site set out in A1 and A2 above, to support the consideration of this discretionary criterion.**

However, nominators may wish to put forward arguments in a separate document for countermeasures or mitigations, if they think that the nominated site may be affected.

Documents provided in support of D3	Your reference number

#### **D4 Proximity to civil aircraft movements (discretionary criterion)**

The Government recognises that not all the information for this criterion is available in the public domain and has therefore decided that it is not reasonable to require nominators to provide this themselves; rather the assessment will be undertaken by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) for the area proposed by the nominator.

Nominators therefore do not need to provide any further information, beyond the description of the site set out in A1 and A2, to support the consideration of this discretionary criterion. However, they are encouraged to check the proximity of civil aircraft movements to the nominated site (as set out in A1 and A2), where information is available in the public domain.

However, nominators may wish to put forward arguments in a separate document for countermeasures or mitigations, if they think that the nominated site may be affected.

Documents provided in support of D4	Your reference number

**D5 Proximity to other military activities (not covered by C2) (discretionary criterion)**

**Does the site (as set out in A1 and A2) cover any areas that are in close proximity to or may affect MoD assets or activities not covered by C2? Such assets and activities may include (but are not limited to) technical sites and transmitters, offshore danger areas, and nuclear facilities (including ports used by military vessels).**

**No**  *If 'no', then please explain why you consider this to be the case and proceed to question D6*

**Explanation as to why the site will not be affected by the risks described above (in particular, identify any military activities in the vicinity of the site which were considered but dismissed as unlikely to be affected by the site's development). Please set out in a separate document, if necessary.**

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**Yes**  *If 'yes', please explain which parts of the site are affected in this way and the basis for this view. You should also provide the further supporting information requested below.*

**Description of any parts of the site that are in close proximity to or may affect MoD assets or activities not covered by section C2 (if relevant). Please include a map, if appropriate.**

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**If you have answered 'yes' to D5 above, you should set out in a separate document, why it is reasonable to conclude, at a strategic level, that this proximity should not rule out the site for consideration for a new nuclear power station. Nominators may wish to put forward arguments for countermeasures or mitigations, if they think that the nominated site may be affected.**

Documents provided in support of D5	Your reference number

**D6 Internationally designated sites of ecological importance (discretionary criterion)**

**Is the nominated site (as set out in A1 and A2) in, or could its development impact, areas that are designated for ecological protection under the Ramsar and Natura 2000 networks?**

**No**  *If 'no', explain why you consider this to be the case and then please proceed to question D7.*

**Explanation as to why the development of the nominated site will not have an impact upon any area in its vicinity, which is designated for ecological protection under the Ramsar and Natura 2000 networks.**

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**Yes**  *If 'yes', please explain which areas are affected in this way and the basis for this view. You should also provide the further supporting information requested below.*

**Identify the area(s) designated for ecological protection under the Ramsar and Natura 2000 networks that could be affected in this way (if relevant). Please include a map, if appropriate.**

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**If you have answered 'yes' to D6 above, you should set out in a separate document, which should be submitted with this nomination form, the likely level of impact and why it is reasonable to conclude, at a strategic level, that it should be possible to avoid or mitigate any such impact to the standards set by the Habitats Directive.**

*Nominators are encouraged to share the results of any discussions they have had with statutory consultees and other nature conservation bodies responsible for overseeing the management of these areas in response to this criterion.*

Documents provided in support of D6	Your reference number

**D7 Nationally designated sites of ecological importance (discretionary criterion)**

**Is the nominated site (as set out in A1 and A2) in, or could its development impact, any areas that are designated for ecological protection at a national level?**

**No**  *If 'no', explain why you consider this to be the case and then please proceed to question D8.*

**Explanation as to why the development of the nominated site will not have an impact upon any area in its vicinity, which is designated for ecological protection at the national level.**

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**Yes**  *If 'yes', please explain which areas are affected in this way and the basis for this view. You should also provide the further supporting information requested below.*

**Identify the area(s) designated for ecological protection at national level that could be affected in this way (if relevant). Please include a map, if appropriate.**

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**If you have answered 'yes' to D7 above, you should set out in a separate document, which should be submitted with this nomination form, the likely impact and why it is reasonable to conclude, at a strategic level, that it should be possible to avoid or mitigate any such impact.**

*Nominators are encouraged to share the results of any discussions they have had with statutory consultees and other nature conservation bodies responsible for overseeing the management of these areas in response to this criterion.*

<b>Documents provided in support of D7</b>	<b>Your reference number</b>

**D8 Areas of amenity, cultural heritage and landscape value (discretionary criterion)**

**Is the nominated site (as set out in A1 and A2) in, or could its development have an impact upon, any area that is designated for its high amenity, landscape or cultural heritage value?**

**No**  *If 'no', explain why you consider this to be the case and then please proceed to question D9*

**Explanation as to why the development of the site will not have an impact upon any area in its vicinity, which is designated for its high amenity, landscape or cultural heritage value. Please set out in a separate document, if necessary.**

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**Yes**  *If 'yes', please explain which parts of the site are affected in this way and the basis for this view. You should also provide the further supporting information requested below.*

**Identify the area(s) designated as being of high amenity, landscape or cultural heritage value, which could be affected in this way (if relevant). Please include a map, if appropriate.**

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**If you have answered 'yes' to D8 above, you should set out in a separate document, which should be submitted with this nomination form, the likely**

**level of impact and why it is reasonable to conclude, at a strategic level, that it should be possible to avoid or mitigate any such impact.**

*Nominators are encouraged to share the results of any discussions they have had with statutory consultees and other bodies responsible for overseeing the management of these areas in response to this criterion.*

<b>Documents provided in support of D8</b>	<b>Your reference number</b>

**D9 Size of site to accommodate operations (discretionary criterion)**

**Please explain why it is reasonable to conclude that there is enough land within the boundary of the nominated site for the secure operation of at least one new nuclear power station.**

**In addressing this question, please also cover:**

- provision for safe and secure storage of all the spent fuel and intermediate level waste produced through operation, and from decommissioning, on the site of the station for several decades until it can be sent for disposal in a geological disposal facility; and
- whether there is adequate land available so that effective control over activities and access may be exercised on and around a new nuclear power station on the nominated site.

<b>Documents provided in support of D9</b>	<b>Your reference number</b>

**D10 Access to suitable sources of cooling (discretionary criterion)**

**Please provide information about the cooling technologies that are feasible for likely nuclear power station developments within the nominated site.**

**In addressing this question, please cover:**

- whether it is reasonable to conclude that there are suitable sources of cooling for a new nuclear power station within the nominated site. (If water-based cooling is to be employed, the nominator should indicate why it believes that there is sufficient water for this purpose or other measures that need to be put in place);
- what impacts (including visual impact) there are likely to be from the need for cooling and why it is reasonable to conclude that these impacts are manageable or able to be mitigated;
- whether, at a strategic level and subject to local considerations, it is reasonable to conclude that a new nuclear power station on the nominated site would be able to be operated within normal environmental and regulatory requirements; and
- any issues that may affect cooling over the lifetime of the new nuclear station (including changes in meteorology, climate etc).

<b>Documents provided in support of D10</b>	<b>Your reference number</b>

## E Declaration

I wish to nominate the site set out in A1 and A2 for consideration by the Secretary of State as suitable or potentially suitable for the deployment of new nuclear power stations by the end of 2025.

I certify that the information in this nomination is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name of individual or, if making a nomination on behalf of a company or corporate entity, name of the Director of the Company, Company Secretary, Partner or otherwise duly authorised signatory:

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Signature of individual or, if making a nomination on behalf of a company or corporate entity, name of the Director of the Company, Company Secretary, Partner or otherwise duly authorised signatory:

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If making a nomination on behalf of a company or corporate entity, please provide evidence that the individual signing this declaration is a Director of the Company, Company Secretary, Partner or otherwise duly authorised signatory.

Where the nomination is from more than one party, for example a consortium, all nominating parties should sign the declaration and provide evidence of their authority to sign (if appropriate).

<b>Documents provided in support of the Declaration</b>	<b>Your reference number</b>





