



NUCLEAR REGULATORY AGENCY

Policy Statement

The NRA primary mission is to protect the individuals, society, future generations and the environment from the harmful effects of ionising radiation.

During the last few years, in fulfilment of this mission, the NRA developed and the Government adopted a complete, practicable and complying with the IAEA standards and the EU practices legislative basis and was internationally recognised as an independent, competent and trustworthy regulatory authority.

Acknowledging the already achieved good results and taking into account the future challenges posed before the country (new nuclear power generating capacity, national RAW disposal facility, etc.), the NRA undertakes as its first priority the continuous improvement of its performance based on the international standards and experience, and the development of science and technology. The NRA management clearly states its intentions to develop and improve its activities for the benefit of society and declares that it will:

- Take its decisions objectively and in full conformity with the law, without being susceptible to any influence or pressure;
- Implement its control functions in an independent, open and justified manner;
- Keep up to date the legislative requirements, according to the changes in the international standards and the EU legislation, and will issue regulatory guides where necessary;
- Maintain a fair and open dialogue with all controlled individuals and organisations;
- Impose penalties, only after all other means for achieving safety have been exhausted;
- Work towards the continuous improvement of the qualification and technical competence of its employees and their motivation;
- Support and promote the development of science and technology in the field of nuclear and radiation safety, to effectively use the resulting achievements;
- Support, within its capabilities, the improvement of the national training system in the field of nuclear technology;
- Work for implementation of the obligations of the Republic of Bulgaria in the field of nuclear safety and radiation protection, ensuing from international conventions, treaties and agreements.

The NRA believes that the public access to safety related information strengthens public confidence in the nuclear industry and the regulatory body. The NRA will follow a policy of openness and transparency in its communication with the citizens, media and all governmental and non-governmental organisations.

The NRA will maintain close relations with similar authorities in other countries, as well as with international organisations, striving to improve the level of nuclear and radiation safety in the region and world-wide.

Chairman:


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