
Please find ASC's responses below:

1. **Senator Fawcett:** You would have heard me talk before about multiple licences, licence holders and overlaps etc.... could you come back on notice with some examples where you think the risk of that is high and how we might alleviate it?

There are two aspects to this question.

a) Multiple Licence Holders.

The Bill can allow for more than one licence holder undertaking regulated activities at the site. For instance, one licence holder could be undertaking facility related activities and another, submarine related activities. A facility related incident could impact on the submarine while the reactor is vulnerable, leading to a nuclear incident. Its therefore essential that one licence holder is accountable for all activities and ensures they are all risk assessed.

b) Multiple Regulators and overlaps.

In the UK, The Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR) inspectors regulate conventional workplace health and safety, fire safety and security on nuclear reactor plants. They seek to ensure overall risk is managed so far as is reasonably practical (SFAIRP). Conflicts that could otherwise arise include:

- Where working from height would require the erection of a scaffold platform in a radioactive area. The radiation incurred in erecting the platform might be disproportionate to using a step ladder or fall arrester to perform the work.
- Where security requirements such as barriers can hinder safe emergency egress or prevent prompt access to safety equipment

2. **Senator Shoebridge:** You think the regulations can give inspectors additional statutory powers? Which provision would give that regulation-making power? You said you weren't aware of the provision of the regulating powers. What's the regulating power that would give that?

There is no such known provision in the draft bill.

3. **Senator Steele-John:** Can you step us through the steps required to obtain that type of insurance (additional insurances for managing nuclear power)?

The insurance that is required is a matter for the Commonwealth.

4. **Senator Steele-John:** What is your understanding as we sit here, of the process that now needs to occur for it to be determined whether you would be the licence holder, when will that engagement begin?

The decision regarding which organisation(s) will be the nuclear licence holder(s) will be made by the Commonwealth. ASC has not been advised of the timeline for engagement on this decision, therefore the question should be directed to the ASA.

Kind regards

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