

International
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for DECommissioning





# AREVA's experience in Decommissioning

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### Introduction

#### AREVA is a major owner-operator of nuclear facilities

- As such, AREVA bears the responsibility for full management of its assets, up and beyond their End of Life
  - This includes Decommissioning, Dismantling, Cleanup and Reusing of the land / facilities as appropriate
- AREVA is also involved in D&D projects for domestic and international customers

### Internal **Projects**

La Hague

#### **Domestic Projects**

- Georges BESSE I
- **CEA Marcoule**

### International **Projects**

- US / Hanford
- UK / Sellafield
- Japan / Fukushima
- Germany



La Hague – Pond 907



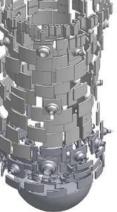
Marcoule **Decladding Pool** 



Legacy Waste Retrieval & Conditioning

Marcoule Pit cleanup





Wüergassen NPP



Facilities to be soon dismantled

GB1 - GDP







# AREVA's main lessons learned in D&D Impact on Preparation for Decommissioning

## Transitioning from Plant Operation to Plant Decommissioning is a deep change

- This needs to be understood and recognized as early as possible.
   It is not "business as usual"
- Key points to consider in the preparation
  - Social Transition
  - Initial State specification / Characterization
  - Final State specification / « how clean is clean »
  - Interfaces with Regulatory Authorities
  - Waste Management Strategy
  - Organization and Management Transition





# AREVA's main lessons learned in D&D Impact on Preparation for Decommissioning

### Waste and Waste Management is a central focus

- Decommissioning is all about waste
- Larger amount of material are produced with different physical, chemical and radiologic characteristics than what was to manage during operation
- Optimization of Waste segmentation life cycle: retrieval / processing / conditioning / packaging / routing / transportation / interim storage / disposal is key to control projects cost

### Planning for Uncertainties is critical

- "Surprises" do occur in D&D projects
- Strategies and plans to anticipate and mitigate potential issues are critical to success
- This is one of the largest cause of project disruptions with high impact on cost and schedule





### Conclusion

- Preparation for Decommissioning is a key "reflex" to develop for future D&D projects
  - to minimize uncertainties and control financials
- AREVA supports the PREDEC conference and related initiatives sponsored by international organizations
  - As an opportunity to optimize the performance of our business lines
    - Managing our internal D&D projects
    - Providing D&D services to domestic customers
    - Supporting international customers
- The "New AREVA" organization will remain strongly involved and committed to D&D
  - It is an integral part of our mission
  - And a major business focus for the group
- We are looking for feedback and recommendations to improve our business approaches



