

**Scottish Environment Protection Agency
Report to the Chapelcross Stakeholders' Group
March 2017.**

Radioactive Substances Act 1993

Inspection

SEPA recently undertook an inspection of the site's procedures for record keeping. Under their Authorisation the site is required to make and retain true, accurate and legible records sufficient to demonstrate whether the limitations and conditions of this Authorisation are and have been complied with. These are to be kept by the site until written notification is received from SEPA that the records no longer need to be retained.

The inspection focussed initially on the site's procedures for creating and maintaining records and who is responsible for their maintenance. Solid waste and gaseous discharge records were then inspected.

SEPA found that the site has procedures that are suitable to meet the requirements of their Authorisation and that comprehensive records relating to solid waste disposals and gaseous discharges had been made and maintained.

Compliance Assessment Scheme

SEPA has produced its final assessment of environmental performance of the Chapelcross site for 2016. This was determined using SEPA's Compliance Assessment Scheme which can be viewed on SEPA's website at:

http://www.sepa.org.uk/about_us/what_we_do/compliance_assessment.aspx.

The site was assessed as '*excellent*'. This means that, on the basis of inspections undertaken in 2016 and data returns supplied to SEPA through the year, the site is considered to be fully compliant with the conditions and limitations of their RSA Authorisation. This included consideration of the site's the performance against two types of condition:

- Environmental Limit Conditions which relate directly to discharge limits to the environment. There were no breaches of any discharge limit.
- Environmental Management Conditions which relate directly to management conditions in the Authorisation which ensure environmental protection. A number of management procedures were inspected and found to be compliant with the conditions of the Authorisation.