



SELLAFIELD Ltd SELECTS DAHER TO DESIGN NEW NUCLEAR WASTE CONTAINERS

New 3M³ Containers to be designed, prototyped and tested for UK nuclear industry

25 October 2007, Derby: Intermediate Level Nuclear Waste (ILW) will be transported in a new design of container during 2008 following the award of a multi million pound contract by Sellafield Ltd, previously British Nuclear Group, to DAHER the European integrated services and high technology equipment suppliers.

DAHER, at its facilities in Derby and Montrichard in France, will be designing, prototyping and physically testing a new 3 cubic metre container (the standard size) before delivering the initial batch to Sellafield for a full assessment programme. Subsequently the company will be developing and managing a buffer store for the containers.

The requirement for new containers follows on from the CoRWM Report published in July 2006 which examined the future options for handling nuclear waster in the UK.

Rob Mcgarel from Sellafield Ltd's procurement team added: "DAHER has been awarded this contract following a robust Official Journal European Union (OJEU) compliant competition process. We are confident of DAHER's ability to produce a high quality container and that their work will go a long way to ensuring that we meet our requirements for the safe and secure management of ILW on the Sellafield site."

"We are delighted to have been awarded this contract. It confirms our focus on the European nuclear industry with the establishment of a centre of excellence in Montrichard following the acquisition of Nuclear Cargo and Service from Deutsch Bahn last year as the correct strategy," said Jean-Paul; Lafitte, Chief Executive of DAHER International.

"DAHER's capabilities in designing and manufacturing nuclear waste containers is based on many years experience with proven methodology, auditable quality and a growing portfolio of nuclear products lying at the heart of our solutions" added John Ledys, President of DAHER CSI .



The 3 cubic metre containers will be used to store intermediate level waste produced as part of decommissioning and clean-up operations across Sellafield Ltd, where previously there have been a number of different designs, with their own logistic and maintenance requirements.

“The requirement for these nuclear waste containers runs into many thousands” commented Chris Melrose, Chairman of DAHER in the UK, adding “This contract is a sound platform for DAHER to provide long term support to Sellafield. At this point in the project we are not recruiting many extra staff or seeking new facilities however should we be successful in securing orders for further production we will be looking for additional resources to work in tandem with our colleagues in France.”

DAHER supplies nuclear waste containers to customers across Europe including CEA, EDF and AREVA.

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Notes to Editors:

1. The CoRWM (Committee on Radioactive Waste Management) Report @Managing Radioactive Waste safely- CoRWM’s recommendations was published on 31 July 2006. Details of the report can be found at the website at www.corwm.org.uk.

2. DAHER, headquartered just outside Paris, is a European integrated equipment and services supplier, dedicated to Aerospace and other manufacturing industries.

In addition to Aerospace, DAHER specializes in three other sectors: Nuclear, Defence and Automotive. DAHER is developing in three fields of expertise: manufacturing, services and transport, which enable it to offer a comprehensive package.

Founded in 1863, DAHER is an exclusively family-run, independent international group, with more than 5,000 employees and 12 international installations (4 in Western Europe, 3 in Eastern Europe, 2 in North America, 2 in Africa and 1 in Australia). DAHER has doubled in size over four years to reach an annual turnover of 530 million euros in 2007.

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