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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2015 No. 209**

**The Justification Decision (Generation of Electricity  
by the UK ABWR Nuclear Reactor) Regulations 2015**

**Interpretation**

**2.** In these Regulations—

“the 1996 Directive” means Council Directive 96/29/Euratom laying down basic safety standards for the protection of the health of workers and the general public against the dangers arising from ionizing radiation<sup>(1)</sup>;

“class or type of practice” bears the same meaning as it bears under Article 6(1) of the 1996 Directive;

“justified” in relation to a class or type of practice means justified by its economic, social or other benefits in relation to the health detriment it may cause;

“spent fuel” means nuclear fuel that has been irradiated in and permanently removed from a reactor core;

“the UK ABWR practice” means the class or type of practice which is the generation of electricity from nuclear energy using oxide fuel of low enrichment in fissile content in a light water-cooled, light water moderated thermal reactor known as UK ABWR designed by Hitachi-GE Nuclear Energy, Ltd<sup>(2)</sup>, and where the specification of that reactor matches that set out in Annex 1 to the document “Consultation on the Nuclear Industry Association’s Application to Justify the UK Advanced Boiling Water Reactor (UK ABWR) - Volume 2: Application Submitted by the Nuclear Industry Association” published in February 2014 by the Department of Energy and Climate Change, URN 14D/004.

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(1) OJ No L 159, 29.6.1996, p 1. The Directive has been revised by a recast Directive (2013/59/Euratom) which comes into force on 6 February 2018. The recast Directive does not change the requirement for all new classes and types of practice to be justified before being adopted.

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