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‘National and International Developments in Radiation Protection’

A Society for Radiological Protection two day meeting at Keele University, Staffs, Tuesday 24th & Wednesday 25th April 2007

Keeping up to date with developments in Radiation Protection is made easy with this two day SRP meeting at Keele University. The event incorporates the society’s Annual General Meeting and Dinner and covers key topics in legislation, waste management and training.

Day One will focus on developments in UK and International legislation. Progress on the Euratom Directive and the IAEA Basic Safety Standards, along with the feedback from the UK’s BSS working group, will be presented and recent ICRP recommendations and the medical response to them will be reviewed. There will be updates on the International Standards Development, Transport Regulations and potential changes to LLW management options. There will also be a presentation on the HPA’s response to the Polonium-210 incident.

The second day begins with the Incoming President describing how she sees the forthcoming work of the society. The topics of exemption orders and clearance levels are revisited and radiological aspects of repositories and the assurance standards for new builds are reviewed. The meeting concludes with presentations on RPA recognition schemes, accreditation and RPA 2000 and an example of the NDA’s strategy for radiological protection skills.

Notes for editors

1. **Accredited journalists** are welcome to free registration to attend this meeting. Please contact Tessa Harris, SRP Administrator Tel. +44 (0)1364 644487, fax. +44 (0)1364 644492, email: admin@srp-uk.org if you would like to attend.
2. The full programme may be found at the Society for Radiological Protection’s web site www.srp-uk.org
3. Founded in 1963, the Society for Radiological Protection is the Scientific Society in the UK that covers the whole field of radiation protection. It now has nearly 2000 national and international members, who are professionally concerned with safety aspects of the use of ionising and non-ionising radiation in education, central and local government, industry, medicine and research.

4. The Society has the following objectives:-

- to promote and advance the science of radiological protection and allied fields;
- to promote, advance and disseminate to the public advantage, knowledge of radiological protection and allied fields;
- to encourage, support, promote and advance education and learning in radiological protection and allied fields;
- to promote and encourage high scientific, educational, regulatory and professional standards in radiological protection and allied fields.

5. This press release was written for the Society for Radiological Protection by Julie Williams and distributed for the SRP by the Institute of Physics Press Office.