# APPENDIX A – UK CIVIL NUCLEAR POWER CONSORTIA 1955-1972

The consortia established in 1955 were:

CONSORTIUM	POWER PLANT	BOILERS	REACTOR MECHANICAL PLANT	REACTOR PRESSURE VESSELS	CIVIL ENGINEERING CONSTRUCTION
AEI - JOHN THOMPSON <sup>i</sup>	Associated Electrical Industries	John Thompson	John Thompson Ordnance	John Thompson	Balfour Beatty and John Laing employed but were not consortium members
EE/B&W/TWC"	English Electric	Babcock & Wilcox	English Electric	Babcock & Wilcox	Taylor Woodrow Construction
GEC / SIMON CARVES <sup>iii</sup>	GEC	Simon Carves	GEC	Motherwell Bridge employed but was not a consortium member	John Mowlem (Scotland) employed but was not a consortium member
NUCLEAR POWER PLANT CO (NPPC)	C A Parsons and A Reyrolle	Clark Chapman and Head Wrightson	Strachan & Henshaw <sup>™</sup>	Whessoe	Sir Robert McAlpine and Alexander Findlay

plus in 1957:

ATOMIC POWER	Richardsons Westgarth	International Combustion	Fairey Engineering	Babcock & Wilcox	Trollope & Colls and
CONSTRUCTIONS	and			employed but not a	Holland, Hannen &
(APC) <sup>v</sup>	Crompton Parkinson			consortium member	Cubitts. <sup>vi</sup>

<sup>iv</sup> Strachan & Henshaw also designed and supplied fuel charging machines for other consortia's reactors.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>i</sup> The AEI-John Thompson and the Nuclear Power Plant Co. consortia amalgamated in 1960 to form the NUCLEAR POWER GROUP (TNPG).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>ii</sup> Reformed as Nuclear Design & Construction (NDC) in 1965. Incorporated as British Nuclear Design & Construction (BNDC) in 1969.

The GEC / Simon Carves Atomic Energy Division joined the Atomic Power Constructions in 1962 to form the UNITED POWER COMPANY (UPC). UPC was dissolved in 1964. GEC remained responsible for the completion of Hunterston A and Tokai Mura, but sold their turbine-alternator business to Parsons.

APC, BNDC and TNPG went on to undertake the UK's programme of Advanced Gas-Cooled reactor (AGR) power stations, but APC went into administration in 1969. Staff from BNDC and TNPG finally formed the core of the NATIONAL NUCLEAR CORPORATION (NCC) organization last employed on the Sizewell B pressurized water reactor (PWR) project. NNC was purchased by Amec in 2007.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>vi</sup> These two civil engineering contractors had formed 'Nuclear Civil Constructors' when planning to be founder members of APC, but they and Elliott Automation withdrew from being consortium members of APC before it was awarded a contract.

# APPENDIX B - THE UK MAGNOX AND AGR POWER STATION PROJECTS

PROJECT	REACTOR	TYPE	CUSTOMER	CONSORTIUM	YEAR*	CLOSED	COMMENTS
	net MWe						
Berkeley (Glos)	2 x 138	Magnox	CEGB	AEI - John Thompson	1962	1989	
Bradwell (Essex)	2 x 150	Magnox	CEGB	NPPC	1962	2002	
Hunterston A (Ayrshire)	2 x 160	Magnox	SSEB	GEC / Simon Carves	1964	1990	Managed by UPC 1962-1964
Latina (Italy)	1 x 200	Magnox	Enel	NPPC	1963	1986	
Hinkley Point A (Somerset)	2 x 225	Magnox	CEGB	EE/B&W/TWC	1965	2000	
Trawsfynydd (Gwynedd)	2 x 235	Magnox	CEGB	APC	1965	1993	
Tokai Mura (Japan)	1 x 166	Magnox	JAPCo	GEC / Simon Carves	1966	1988	Managed by UPC 1962-1964
Dungeness A (Kent)	2 x 250	Magnox	CEGB	TNPG	1965	2006	
Sizewell A (Suffolk)	2 x 210	Magnox	CEGB	NDC	1966	2006	
Oldbury (Somerset)	2 x 217	Magnox	CEGB	TNPG	1967		
Wylfa (Anglesey)	2 x 495	Magnox	CEGB	BNDC	1971		
Dungeness B	2 x 545	AGR	CEGB	$APC \rightarrow NDC$	1985		Managed by GEC from 1969
Hinkley Point B	620 & 600	AGR	CEGB	TNPG	1976		
Hunterston B	610 & 605	AGR	SSEB	TNPG	1976		
Hartlepool (Durham)	2 x 595	AGR	CEGB	NDC	1984		
Heysham 1 (Lancashire)	2 x 615	AGR	CEGB	BNDC	1985		
Torness (East Lothian)	2 x 625	AGR	SSEB	NNC	1988		
Heysham 2	2 x 615	AGR	CEGB	NNC	1988		

The UK consortia undertook the engineering, construction and commissioning support of the following projects:

\* Year of completion of the first reactor of each pair.

Berkeley to Sizewell A had steel reactor pressure vessels. Oldbury and all after had prestressed concrete reactor pressure vessels.

The capacity of each Calder Hall 'PIPPA' reactor was 50 MWe (first reactor completed in 1956, closed in 2003).

Some of the Magnox reactors were operated below the MWe stated above

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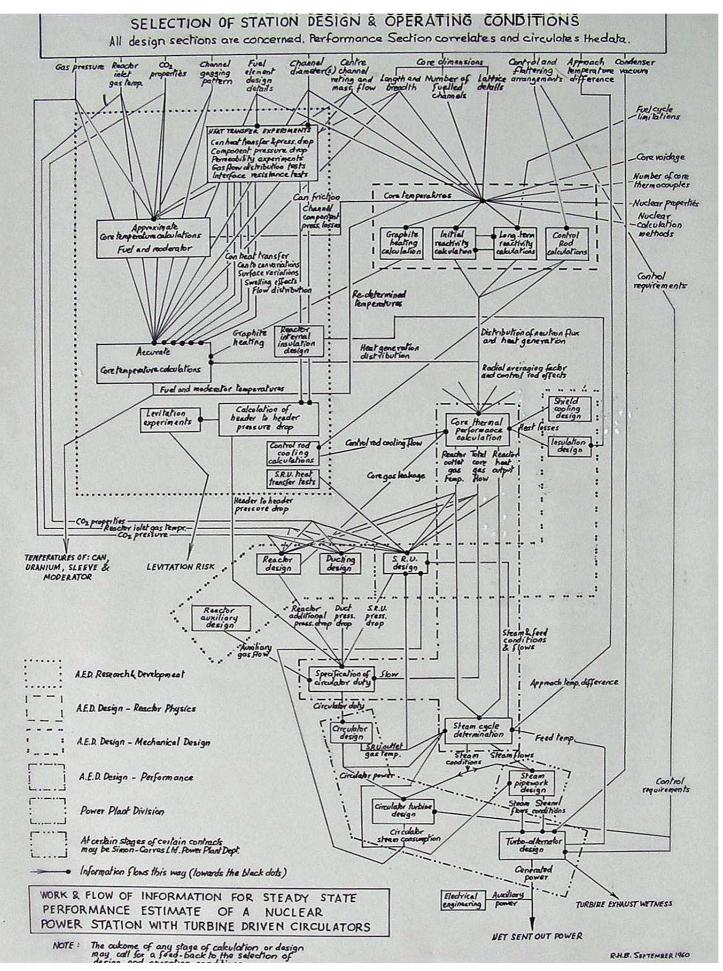
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# APPENDIX D - REACTOR DESIGN DEPENDENCIES



# APPENDIX E – PROCUREMENT CHOICES

If, as the government envisages, the utility companies will promote new nuclear power station projects in the UK, the procurement choices for a utility are those of any customer for a capital project:

- FORM OWN TEAM Establish the customer's own project team to engineer and manage each project, to be in effect their own main contractor and design and buy plant, construction and other services from consultants, suppliers and contractors. Many utilities and other asset owners in industrial countries regard this option as their high risk last resort, to be followed only if they wish to retain control of information or they have a regular programme of related projects or if other options are not available. For Sizewell B the CEGB followed this option, but formed only a temporary team employing NNC to manage design and construction.
- HIRE MANAGING CONTRACTOR / CONSULTANTS Hire a managing contractor or consultant to engineer and manage each project, at the customer's risk buying the plant, construction and other services from manufacturers and contractors.
- APPOINT TURNKEY CONTRACTOR Invite a manufacturer or contractor to undertake a 'turnkey' contract for a complete station, an option that reduces the need for an owner's team but reduces the owner's control and depends upon selection of a competent and committed contractor able and willing to take the project execution and performance risks.
- APPOINT CONSORTIUM Invite a consortium of manufacturers and contractors to undertake a 'turnkey' contract for a complete station, as in the UK Magnox and AGR programmes and now for the current Finnish project Olkiluoto 3, where manufacturers' and contractors' combined resources were required but the project was only a part of each company's market.
- TWO STAGE CONTRACTING -
  - 1. Front End Establish own team or hire a managing team to define requirements, initiate design, obtain planning consents and order long-lead materials, followed by –
  - 2. Novation Invite a contractor or consortium to tender to take over responsibility for completing the design and supply of the project.

This choice provides flexibility for changes to the scope and cost before commitment to Stage 2.

A contractor employed for Stage 1 is expected to tender with others for Stage 2, to try to achieve continuity and competition.

 FINANCE PARTNERING – In these last three options also invite contractors and other investors to finance the project and share the risks of operating and maintaining the asset.

Contractors and consultants employed by the promoting utility would expect to be free to employ consultants, manufacturers and contractors in normal sub-contracting and supply chains.

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