



NOTICE TO IMPORTERS: 2749

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Import Licensing Branch, Queensway House,
West Precinct, Billingham TS23 2NF**

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Nuclear Materials: Transfer of Import Licensing

1. Currently importers need to apply to the Department of Trade and Industry's Import Licensing Branch (ILB) for a licence to import the following nuclear materials from outside of the European Community:

Tariff Heading Description

ex 26 12 Uranium ore concentrates

ex 28 44 Plutonium, uranium 233, uranium enriched in the isotopes 233 or 235, natural uranium and mixtures, compounds and alloys containing any of the foregoing, including spent or irradiated nuclear reactor fuel elements (cartridges).

Importers are warned that it is unlikely that a licence to import nuclear materials from a country not a state party to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Materials will be issued.

2. Importers do not need to apply for an import licence when the nuclear material is consigned from another Member State of the European Community as it can be imported under the authority of the Open General Import Licence.

3. On 26 March 2007 the responsibility of issuing licences for the import of nuclear materials as set out in paragraph 1 will transfer from ILB to the Office for Civil Nuclear Security (OCNS). From this date importers of nuclear materials should apply to:

Bryan Reeves
Office for Civil Nuclear Security
Building 418.15
Harwell International Business Centre
Harwell
Didcot
Oxfordshire
OX11 0QA

Telephone: 01235 432952
Fax: 01235 432951
Email: bryan.reeves@ocns.gsi.gov.uk

For further information regarding this notice contact Anne Simpson, ILB
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