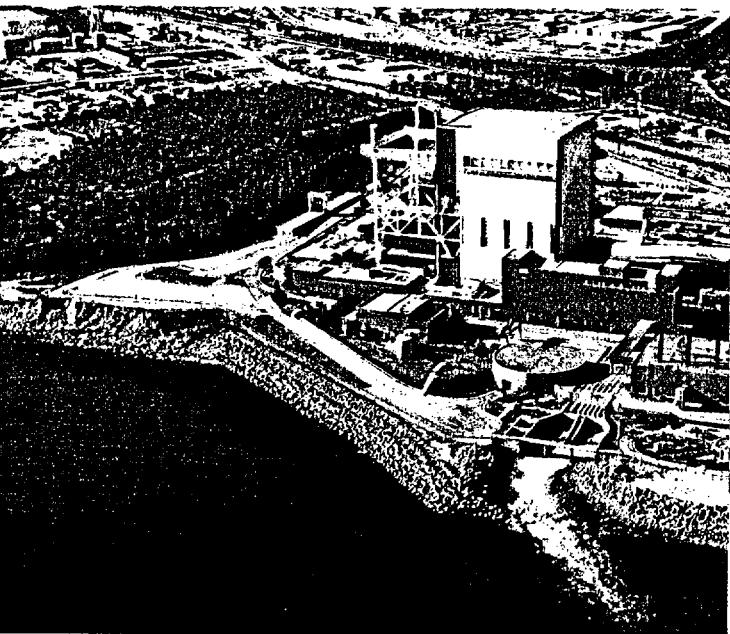
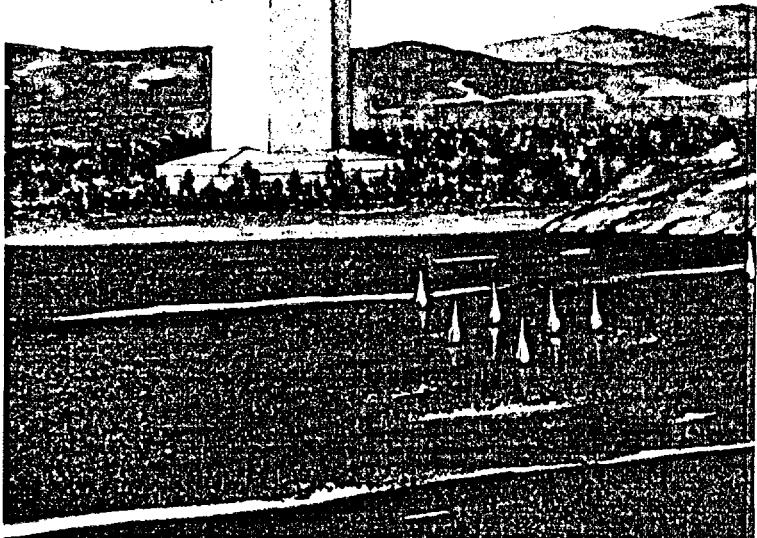


Vandellós I nuclear power plant dismantling project

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▲ Vandellós I nuclear power plant prior to the dismantling works.

Background

Vandellós I nuclear power plant (497 MW, graphite-gas type) is located in the province of Tarragona and will be the first plant to be dismantled in Spain. The plant was shut down in 1990 following an incident affecting the number 2 turbine-generator set.

The Spanish National Radioactive Waste Company, ENRESA, was commissioned to undertake dismantling of the plant. Therefore, the company has drawn up the necessary Decommissioning and Dismantling Plan which, once approved by the Ministry of Industry and reported favorably by the Nuclear Safety

Council, will be implemented under the direction and supervision of ENRESA's technical staff.

The corresponding Environmental Impact Study has also been carried out and approved by the Ministry of the Environment with the Environmental Impact Statement.

Activities

Project

Decommissioning and Dismantling Plan works

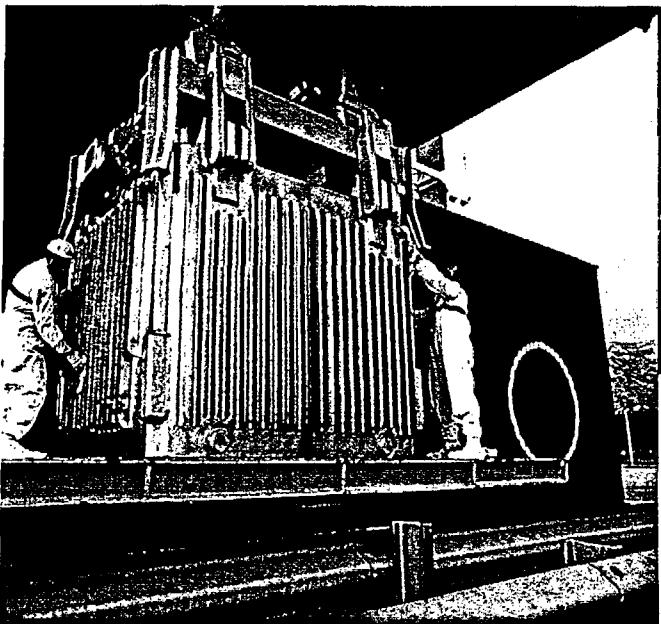
Activities prior to dismantling

Dismantling permit

Preparatory activities for dismantling

Dismantling and waste management

Preparation of the facility for the latency period



▲ Removal of a container.

Activities Level 2

Prior to the activities to be carried out by ENRESA, Hifrensa, as the plant owner, has removed the nuclear fuel and conditioned the radioactive wastes arising during the operating phase.

In order to meet the objectives mapped out for Level 2 decommissioning, ENRESA will perform the following activities:

- Preliminary activities for adaptation and preparation of the infrastructures for dismantling.

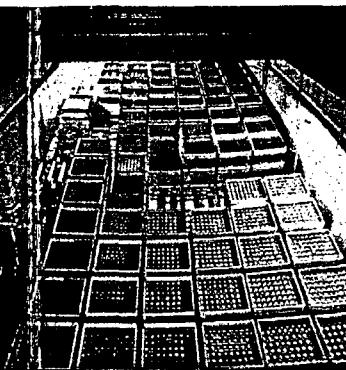
- Dismantling activities as such, including the decontamination of structures

and equipment, the dismantling of systems and the demolition of buildings.

- Activities relating to conditioning of wastes in containers suitable for the prevention of dispersion and for their handling and subsequent transport.

- Removal of low and intermediate level wastes and dispatch to the disposal facility.

- Final activities relating to confinement of the reactor shield and restoration of the released site.



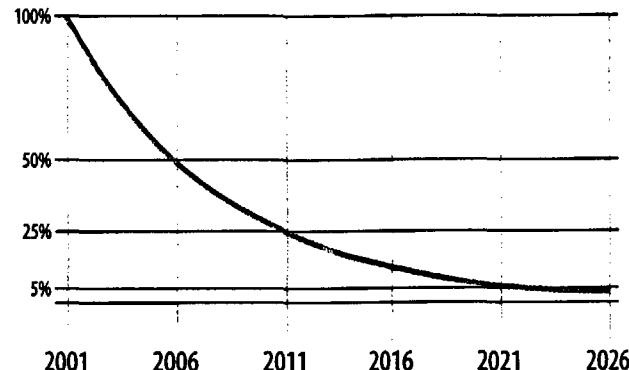
▲ Spent fuel pool.

Waste management

The waste management activities to be carried out are based on in-depth knowledge of the situation prior to dismantling, for which purpose a radiological map of the installation will be available.

The techniques to be used are well-known and do not

▼ Materials arising from dismantling.



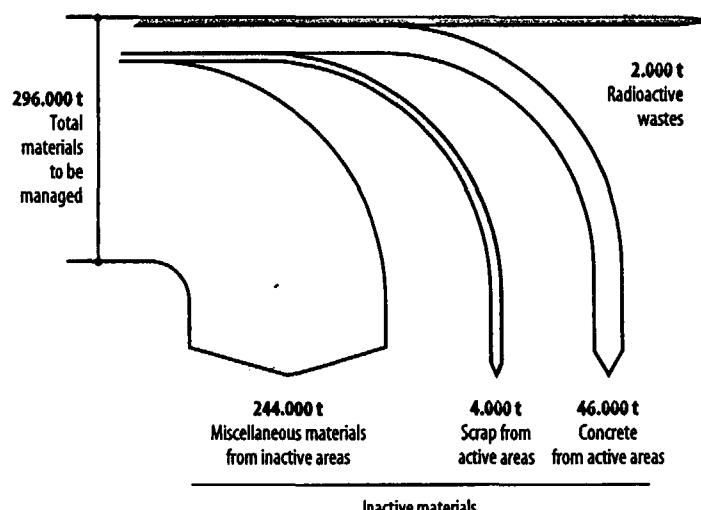
▲ Radiation decay during the latency period.

differ from those commonly used in the field of radioactive waste management.

Over the next 5 years, ENRESA will handle a flow of almost 296,000 tons of materials arising from dismantling, which will be appropriately controlled and classified.

The foreseen inventory is as follows:

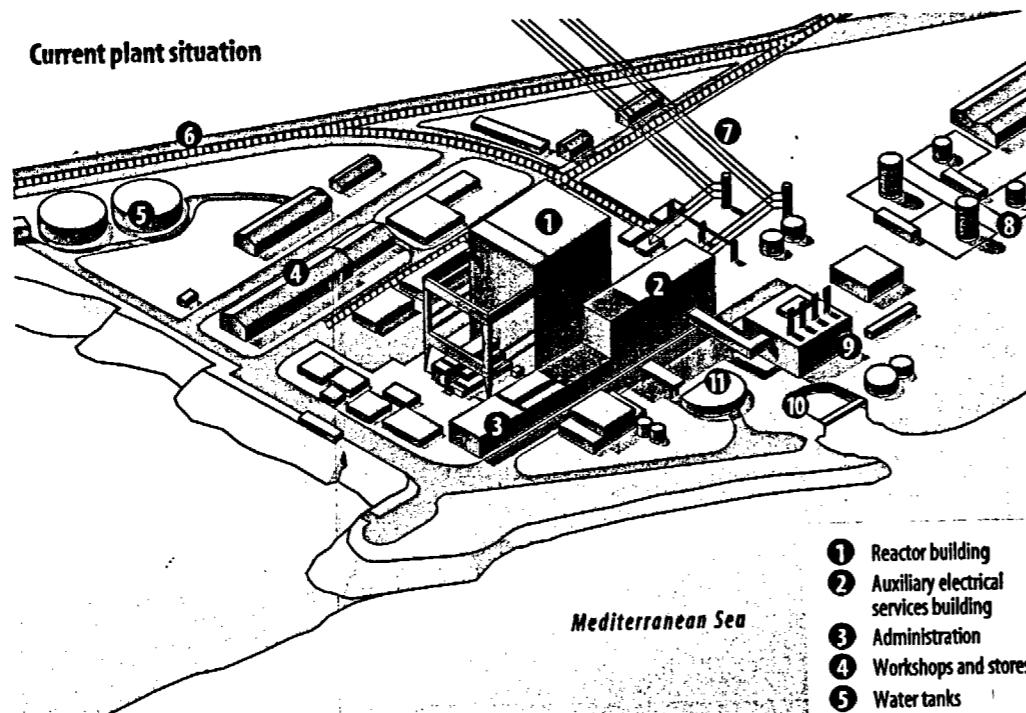
- 294,000 tons of *clean materials*, of which 50,000 tons are non-contaminated elements from active areas and the rest from the inactive areas of the facility.
- 2,000 tons of *radioactive wastes*, which will be conditioned and subsequently disposed of at the disposal facility.



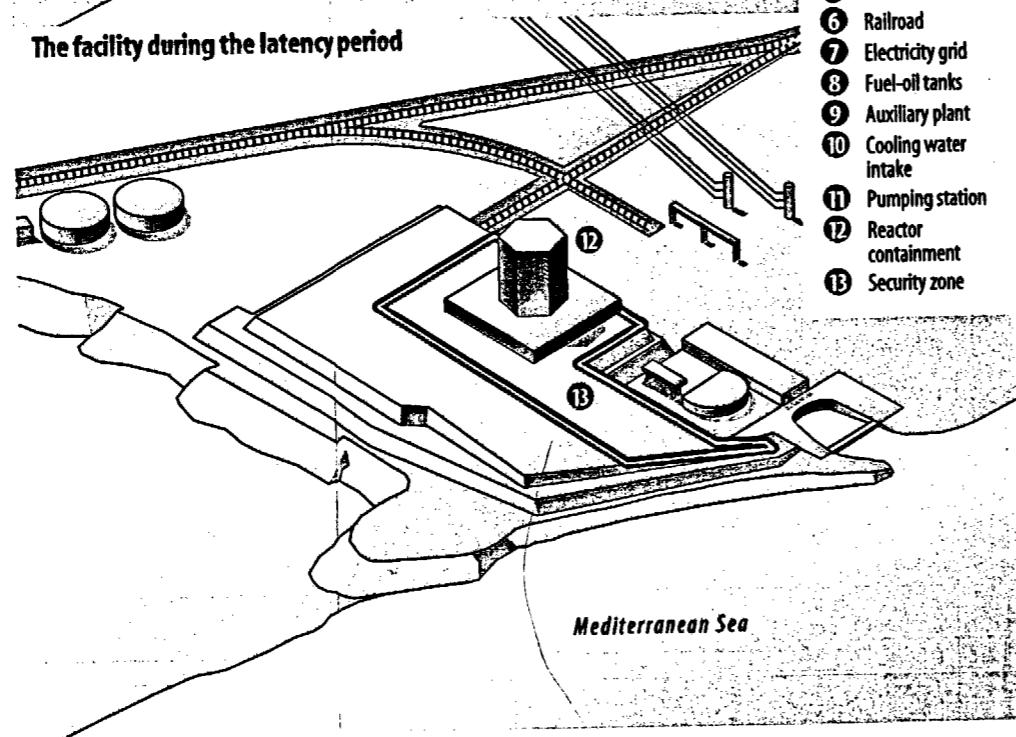
Budget Level 2
ENRESA will make an investment of 10,000 million pesetas in order to meet the objectives mapped out for Level 2 decommissioning.

Budget Level 3
Performance of Level 3 decommissioning will assume an additional investment of 35,000 million pesetas.

Current plant situation



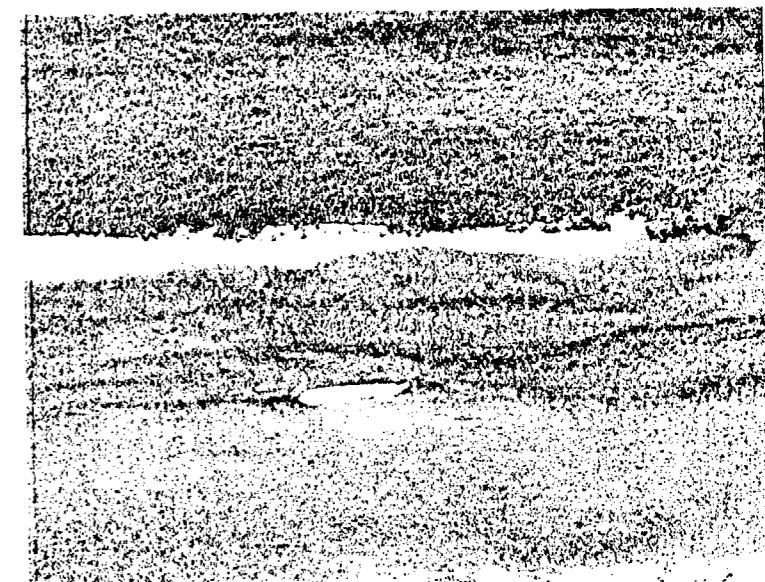
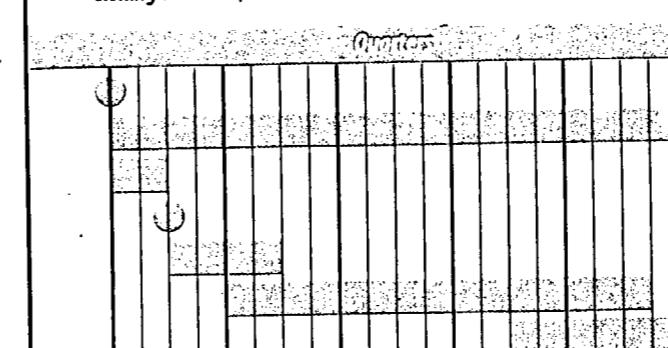
The facility during the latency period



signify the release of 80% of the site in five years.

Following this period there will be a 25-year waiting period, known as latency, the aim of which is to allow the radiation inside the reactor shield to decay to levels which will facilitate the complete dismantling (Level 3 decommissioning) at minimum radiological cost. After this, the site will finally be released.

▼ Level 2 dismantling project schedule.



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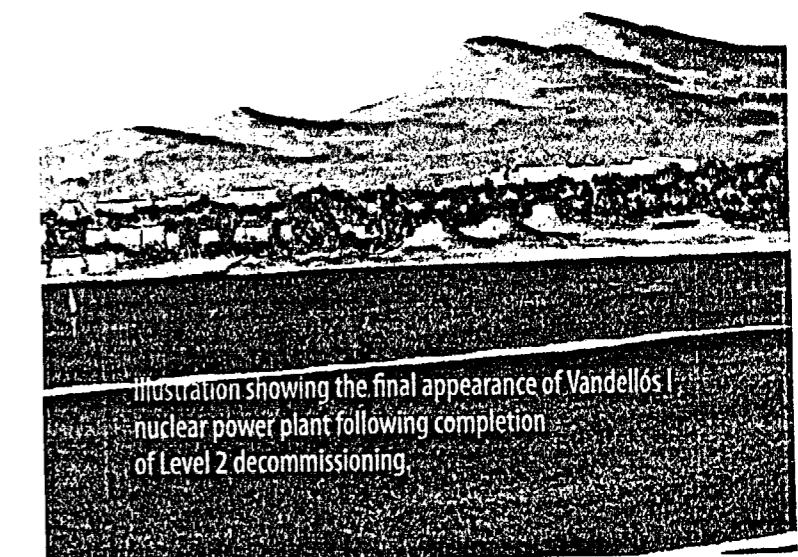


Illustration showing the final appearance of Vandellós I nuclear power plant following completion of Level 2 decommissioning.