

### Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station Decommissioning Update

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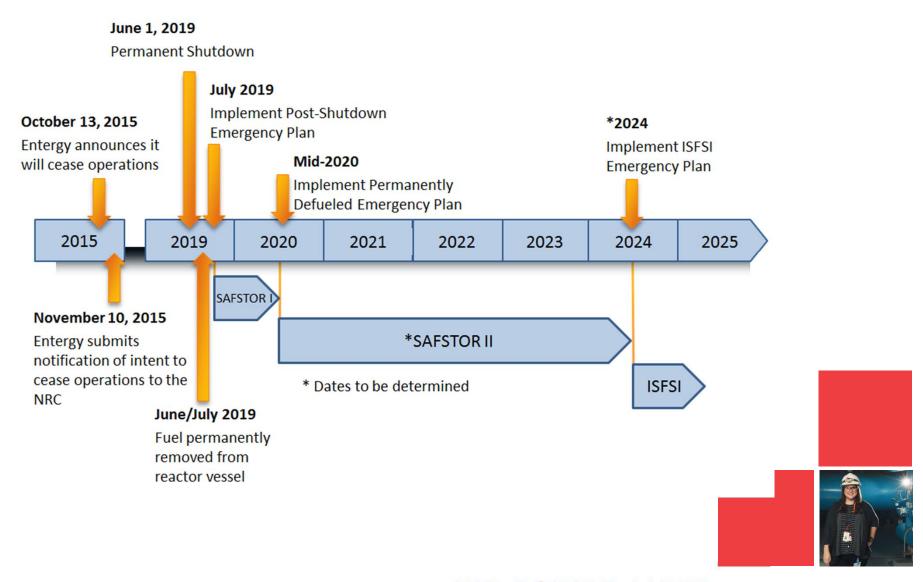
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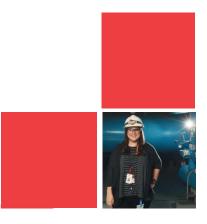
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- Emergency Response Organization
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    - Radiological Conditions, Hazards, System Malfunctions
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#### Declaration Time

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 Notification to MA and the Town of Plymouth as soon as possible and within 60 minutes of emergency declaration or change in classification

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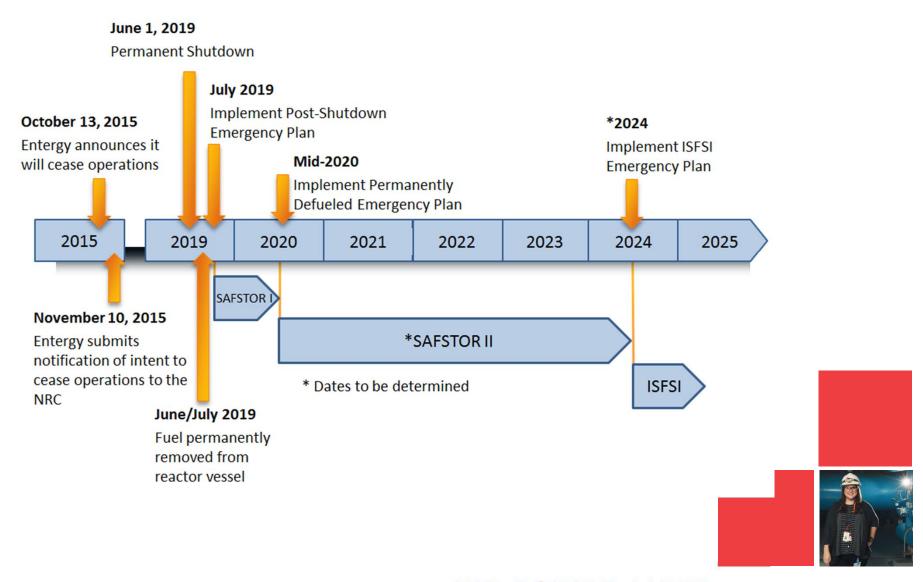
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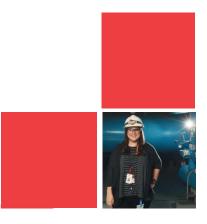
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