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The Nuclear Institute Granted Licence to Register Members as Environmental Professionals

The Society for the Environment has confirmed that the Nuclear Institute (NI) have been granted a licence to award its members with the Chartered Environmentalist (CEnv) and Registered Environmental Technician (REnvTech) professional registrations.

The Society's Registration Authority Committee approved NI's licence application during their recent Committee meeting. With the addition of NI, there are now 25 professional bodies licensed to award CEnv status and 3 licensed to award REnvTech.

Following the approval, CEO of the Society, Dr Emma Wilcox said; "The Society is very pleased to welcome NI as its newest Licensed Body following their short spell as a Constituent Body. The nuclear industry generates a large proportion of the electricity supply in the UK, which makes it a key player in developing more efficient and sustainable practises to reduce the impact of this essential service.

"We believe that it is highly beneficial for individuals whose environmental expertise have been verified to be making decisions that affect the environment that we live in", Emma continued.

NI is the professional membership body and learned society for the nuclear industry. Representing over 2,500 professionals at all levels across the nuclear industry, from new build and operations to decommissioning, NI "sets the standards for nuclear professionalism".

Members of NI who meet the eligibility criteria and competences required will now have the opportunity to apply for CEnv or REnvTech status. This will allow individuals to showcase their environmental expertise to clients, employers and stakeholders, improve their influence on environmental matters and to help create a more sustainable world. Chartered status has a globally recognised reputation for expertise and CEnv is another opportunity for NI members to reach this level (alongside CEng and CSci).

In welcoming this announcement, NI President John Clarke CEng FNucl said:

"The NI is very pleased to be able to add CEnv and REnvTech to its suite of professional titles which will enable our members to demonstrate their environmental professionalism as well as in engineering and science which we already offer. Combined with our own professional grades that assess a range of nuclear specialisms it means that the nuclear industry can continue to put skills and the development of people at the forefront of our plans for a nuclear future which will be critical to attaining the goals of the Nuclear Sector Deal."

NI Trustee and nuclear specialist at the Environment Agency, Juliet Long CEnv FIEMA said:

"I'm delighted that the importance of environmental professionalism within the nuclear industry has been recognised in this way. Environmental professionals work across all parts of our industry, amongst other things enabling nuclear energy to play a part in addressing the challenges of climate change, delivering the decommissioning and clean-up of our legacy sites, and helping ensure the

safe, sustainable management of radioactive wastes. As a Chartered Environmentalist, this qualification has helped me structure my professional development against the bigger picture of sustainable environmental protection, allowing me to benchmark my level of professionalism against those in other sectors. I look forward to seeing my colleagues in all parts of the nuclear industry measuring and demonstrating their skills against the CEnv competences and encouraging their technician colleagues towards REnvTech.”

Sarah Beacock, NI CEO said:

“The new licences come at a time when the industry is upskilling its workforce ahead of the coming new build challenges. Nuclear professionals with CEnv and REnvTech will be invaluable in demonstrating the critical role that nuclear has to play in a low carbon world.”

Details of how to apply for CEnv or REnvTech registration via NI will be available on the NI website soon: www.nuclearinst.com

In the meantime, to find out more about [CEnv](#) or [REnvTech](#) registrations, please click on the relevant link leading to webpages on the Society’s website.

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About the Society for the Environment

The Society for the Environment, is comprised of 25 Licenced Bodies, with over 500,000 members between them. It received a Royal Charter in 2004, which empowers it to regulate the Chartered Environmentalist (CEnv) and Registered Environmental Technician (REnvTech) registration in the UK. There are now over 7,300 environmental professionals currently registered who share a common vision of delivering sustainability through environmental professionalism. Further information can be found at www.socenv.org.uk.

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Nuclear energy is an essential part of the UK’s clean energy mix. Currently employing 65,000 people, and generating 20% of all electricity used in the UK, with the new build programme, the industry has the

potential to almost double the number of jobs across the civil nuclear sector. It is critical that the industry has the right standards and people to support future growth and success.

About Dr Emma Wilcox, CEO of the Society for the Environment

Emma has been CEO of the Society since July 2015 and since joining the organisation has led the development of a new five-year strategy increasing registrations and profile for Chartered Environmentalists and Registered Environmental Technicians.

Her career has spanned a number of disciplines including scientific research, knowledge and technology transfer, skills and education, programme and business management and stakeholder and relationship management. Emma's strong academic background is supported by an in-depth knowledge of both public and private sector landscapes.

The 25 Constituent Bodies of the Society for the Environment are:

Arboricultural Association (AA)
Chartered Association of Building Engineers (CABE)
Chartered Institute of Architectural Technologists (CIAT)
Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management (CIEEM)
Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB)
Chartered Institution of Wastes Management (CIWM)
Chartered Institution of Water and Environmental Management (CIWEM)
Energy Institute (EI)
Institute of Agricultural Management (IAgrM)
Institute of Chartered Foresters (ICF)
Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (IEMA)
Institute of Fisheries Management (IFM)
Institute of Materials, Minerals & Mining (IOM3)
Institute of Water (IWater)
Institution of Agricultural Engineers (IAgrE)
Institution of Chemical Engineers (ICHEME)
Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE)
Institution of Engineering Designers (IED)
Institution of Environmental Sciences (IES)
Institution of Mechanical Engineers (IMechE)
Nuclear Institute (NI)
Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS)
Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC)
Society of Environmental Engineers (SEE)
Society of Operations Engineers (SOE)