University of Sussex

Radiation (Ionising) Safety Policy

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1. Introduction

The University of Sussex uses a variety of sources of ionising radiation within its teaching and research activities. This policy details the management arrangements and responsibilities for radiation safety at the University.

2. Policy

The University will comply with all relevant legislation regarding ionising radiation and in particular the Ionising Radiations Regulations 2017 (IRR2017

x attending Radiation Protection Sub- Committee

x overseeing the accumulation and transfer of solid and organic liquid waste to the radioactive waste decay store and the disposal of aqueous waste.

x Assisting the School in ensuring the local rules are adhered to.

x Ensuring an emergency response plan is in place

Principal Investigators are responsible for:

x ensuring that personnel who are involved in the use of ionising radiation receive adequate supervision, information, instruction and training,

x ensuring that all sources of ionising radiation are adequately controlled and accounted for,

x undertaking prior risk assessments for all projects involving the use of ionising radiation and ensuring the risk assessments are kept up to date,

x the completion and maintenance of appropriate contamination monitoring, stock, use and disposal records, (in association with the RPS).

x In association with the RPS to ensure that users are keeping required records of materials and also those required for the accumulation and disposal of radioactive waste

Sussex Estates and Facilities LLP (SEF) are responsible for:

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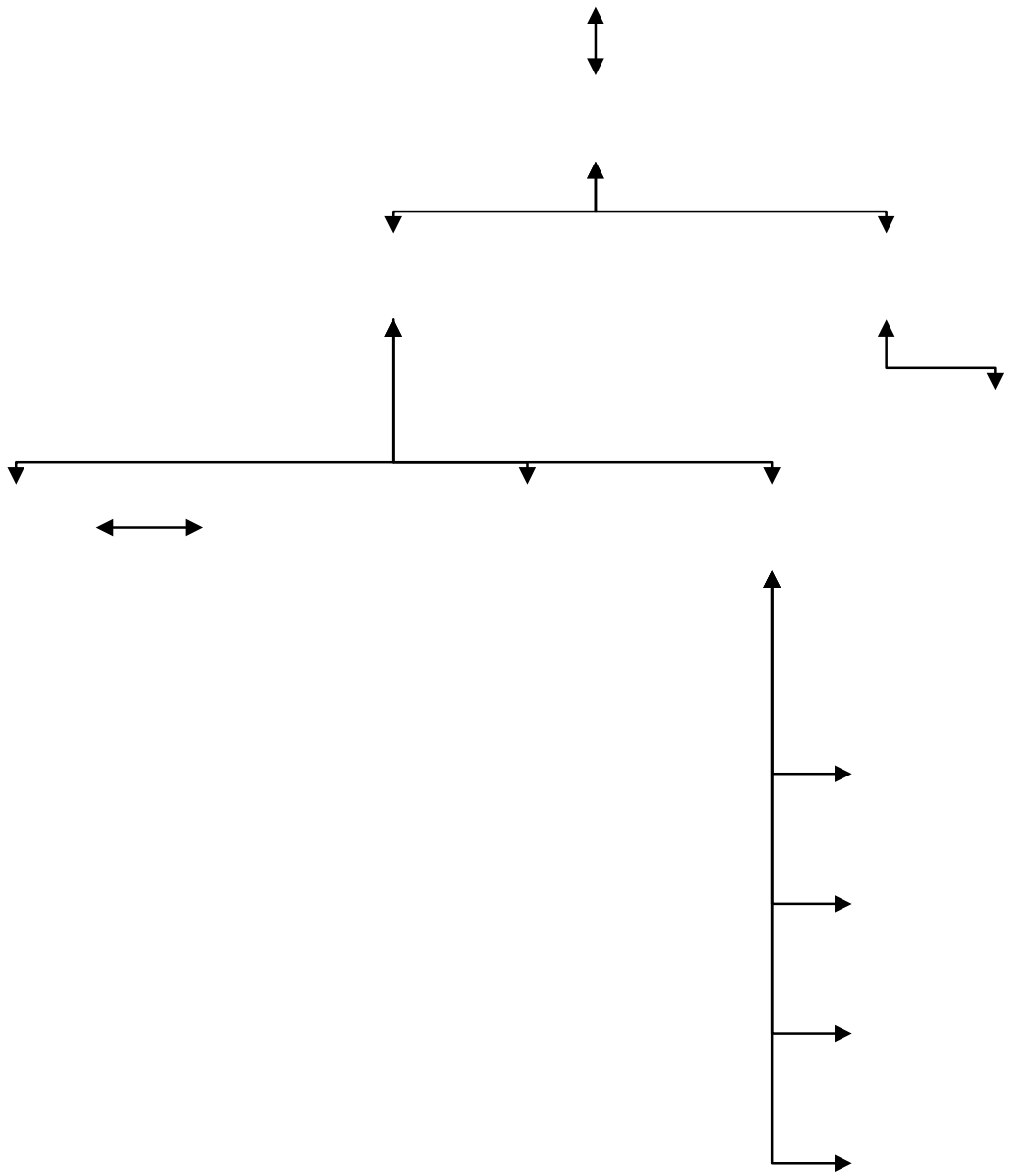

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The University as the Radiation Employer under IRR17 and the Site Operator under the EPR16 Permit has appointed a Radiation Protection Adviser (RPA)/Radioactive Waste Adviser to advise the measures required to ensure compliance with applicable legislation and Permit conditions.

Radiation Protection Officer

The RPO is responsible for the administration and development of systems of control relating to radiological protection, in order to ensure compliance with all legislation governing ionising radiation work (including IRR17, EPR16 and the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974).

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