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Subject: Safety standards at the Almaraz nuclear power plant

The stress tests carried out at the Almaraz nuclear power plant, following the Fukushima accident, were confined to the ability to withstand natural events, ignoring other major aspects such as the effects of ageing on components and safety systems. They also failed to cover the design of the plant from the point of view of coping with and preventing accidents; the features in question might now be obsolete. Furthermore, Directive 2014/87/Euratom, which lays down safety objectives for nuclear power plants, has still to be transposed into Spanish law.

Are those standards the most up to date and do they make for an optimum level of safety for a nuclear power plant?

To what extent has the Almaraz plant complied with the safety objectives laid down in Directive 2014/87/Euratom?

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