EPR FLAMANVILLE 3
March 2017: The latest news in pictures
Start of vessel flushing operations - 15 March 2017

The EPR has reached a key milestone with the start of flushing operations. In the picture above, operational testing engineers stand alongside the control-room operator while he starts up the pump.
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Personnel were stationed in the field, right next to the equipment.
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View of the reactor vessel, the water’s final destination. It took 15 minutes to flush each line of the emergency boration system.
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First system performance test successfully completed. Well done to the EDF and Areva teams!
Reactor building
The vessel’s upper internals were brought into the reactor building and placed on their storage stand...
Reactor building

... before being placed inside the reactor vessel.
Reactor building

Rope-access technicians inspecting pipes forming part of the containment heat removal system, prior to and after the performance of hydrostatic tests.
Reactor building
Rope-access technicians installing water-level sensors inside the reactor-cavity transfer compartment.
Safeguard buildings
Workers installing the nuclear-island fire-protection system.
Safeguard buildings

Nuclear steam-supply system pipes being permanently connected to the safety-injection pumps.
Safeguard buildings
Preparations underway for the final hydrostatic test on the safety-injection system.
North diesel building
Worker welding a pipe forming part of the main diesel engine’s cooling-water system.
Pump house
Worker applying paint to walls inside the building.
Special industrial safety day focusing on equipment isolation practices

Nearly 3000 workers involved in the construction project came to learn about equipment isolations and safe work practices.
View of the Flamanville-3 EPR construction site – 31 March 2017