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Abstract

According to an agreement with Swedish Nuclear Fuel and Waste Management Company (SKB) and Uppsala University, the Department of Earth Sciences has continued to carry out observation and additional construction of new seismic stations within the Swedish National Seismic Network (SNSN). This report gives some information about the recorded seismicity during July through September 2003.

At present 40 stations are in operation and five additional stations will be put into operation during October or November 2003. During the period July through September 2003, there were 47 located events whereof 2 with magnitude above 2.0 and additional 10 above or of 1.0. The range of the hypocentral depth varies between 0.1 and 37.6 km.

The largest earthquake ML=2.4 occurred on September 2, 8.7 km North-East of Sunne in Värmland. The second largest earthquake during this period occurred on August 22 in Kattegatt, 68 km West of Kullen.

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1 Introduction

This is the third quarterly report on seismic events recorded by the Swedish National Seismic Network (SNSN) for the year 2003. At present 40 stations are in operation and five additional stations will be put into operation during October or November 2003, Figure 1-1.

The report includes fundamental information about the seismic events, including origin time and hypocenter location. Information about the source parameters is not included in the present report but is delivered as a separate ASCii-text. This report is a preliminary report including only the automatic and the brief interactive analysis done on the routine bases at SNSN.

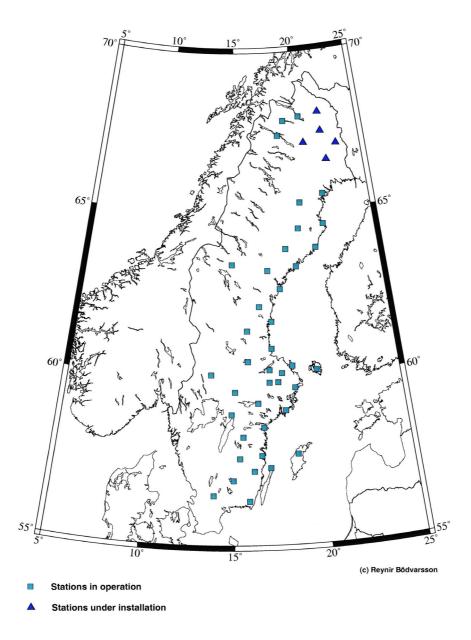


Figure 1-1. The present Swedish National Seismic Network (SNSN).

2 Objective and scope

According to an agreement with Swedish Nuclear Fuel and Waste Management Company (SKB) and Uppsala University, the Department of Earth Sciences continues to carry out observation and additional construction of new seismic stations within the Swedish National Seismic Network (SNSN).

The goal is to complement the existing regional seismic network to establish a local seismic network that also permits registration of small earthquakes in order to obtain relatively long time series and thereby gain a better understanding of the causes of seismic events in the site investigation areas.

Fundamental information about the seismic events, including origin time, hypocenter location and information about the source parameters will be given after every three month period.

Expected results are to obtain information on location, magnitude and source parameters of small earthquakes down to a magnitude of 0.0 near the investigation sites.

3 Recorded earthquakes during the third quarter of 2003

Figure 3-1 shows earthquake activity in Sweden during July through September 2003. During this period there were 539 located events, Figure 3-2. Out of these 437 are explosions, 47 are true earthquakes and 55 are still uncertain but most of these are mainly outside the network.

The largest earthquake ML=2.4 occured on September 2, 8.7 km North-East of Sunne in Värmland. The second largest earthquake during this period occurred on August 22 in Kattegatt 68 km West of Kullen.

Event lists for July through September 2003 are given in sections 3.1 to 3.3.

SNSN recorded earthquakes July through September 2003

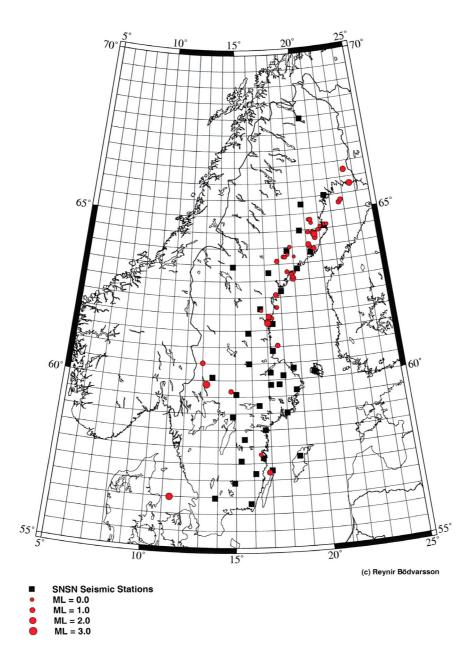
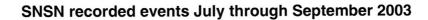


Figure 3-1. Earthquake activity in Sweden during July through September 2003.



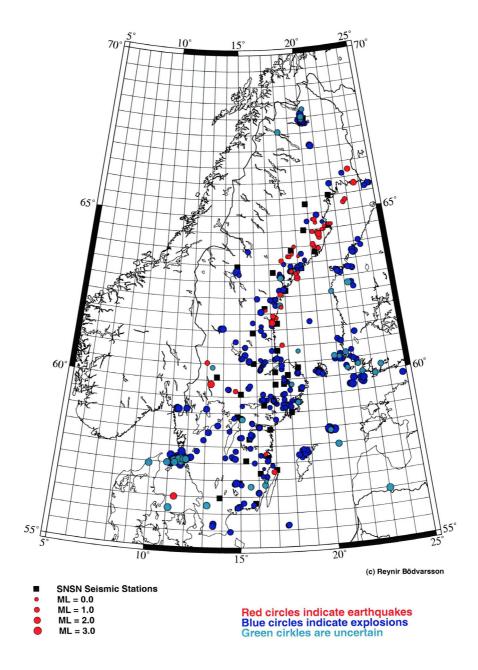


Figure 3-2. Recorded events including explosions in the SNSN network during the period July through September 2003.

3.1 July

Event list for July is given in Table 3-1 with date, time (UTC), latitude, longitude, X (RT90), Y (RT90), depth and local magnitude (ML). In July 23 events were located whereof 3 with magnitude above 1.0. The depth range of the events varies between 5.0 to 31.7 km.

| Table 3-1. Date, time, latitude, longitude, X (RT90), Y (RT90), depth and local magnitude |
|---|
| (ML) of recorded earthquakes in July. |

| Date | Time (UTC) | Latitude | Longitude | X RT90 km | Y RT90 km | Depth km | ML local magnitude |
|----------|---------------|----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| 20030702 | 174522.9 | 64.393 | 20.534 | 7151.4 | 1727.8 | 10.9 | 1.2 |
| 20030704 | 130650.5 | 62.572 | 17.690 | 6941.3 | 1596.7 | 23.1 | 0.9 |
| 20030705 | 182804.5 | 59.668 | 14.729 | 6616.9 | 1439.2 | 8.3 | 0.7 |
| 20030705 | 204604.2 | 65.240 | 22.641 | 7254.7 | 1818.9 | 12.6 | 0.7 |
| 20030705 | 215332.0 | 63.046 | 18.889 | 6996.5 | 1655.8 | 5.3 | 1.7 |
| 20030706 | 194248.9 | 63.719 | 18.330 | 7070.3 | 1624.6 | 31.7 | 0.4 |
| 20030706 | 222731.0 | 64.328 | 20.532 | 7144.1 | 1728.2 | 19.0 | 0.1 |
| 20030707 | 083712.8 | 61.797 | 17.128 | 6854.3 | 1569.6 | 17.8 | 0.3 |
| 20030707 | 114017.5 | 64.009 | 18.805 | 7103.6 | 1646.5 | 6.0 | 0.0 |
| 20030708 | 064502.2 | 64.482 | 21.027 | 7163.1 | 1750.7 | 16.3 | -0.3 |
| 20030709 | 035928.8 | 64.811 | 20.287 | 7197.0 | 1712.6 | 20.7 | -0.2 |
| 20030710 | 155352.2 | 64.408 | 20.665 | 7153.5 | 1734.0 | 18.0 | -0.2 |
| 20030711 | 011146.0 | 64.626 | 21.402 | 7180.7 | 1767.3 | 27.7 | -0.0 |
| 20030711 | 015128.2 | 62.103 | 16.685 | 6888.0 | 1545.8 | 14.2 | -0.3 |
| 20030712 | 021716.7 | 61.867 | 17.373 | 6862.3 | 1582.3 | 12.1 | -0.2 |
| 20030713 | 151410.9 | 62.186 | 17.702 | 6898.4 | 1598.6 | 15.4 | 0.2 |
| 20030714 | 184548.0 | 64.476 | 20.895 | 7162.0 | 1744.4 | 19.0 | 0.1 |
| 20030715 | 003513.9 | 63.224 | 18.964 | 7016.6 | 1658.6 | 17.8 | -0.3 |
| 20030716 | 144715.9 | 63.980 | 20.210 | 7104.3 | 1715.4 | 16.6 | 0.5 |
| 20030717 | 173338.1 | 61.778 | 16.988 | 6852.0 | 1562.2 | 16.3 | -0.2 |
| 20030719 | 163617.7 | 57.766 | 16.404 | 6404.7 | 1535.4 | 19.0 | 0.3 |
| 20030727 | 203014.9 | 64.052 | 20.142 | 7112.1 | 1711.5 | 13.6 | 1.1 |
| 20030728 | 105537.2 | 63.100 | 18.874 | 7002.5 | 1654.8 | 5.0 | 0.8 |

3.2 August

Event list for August is given in Table 3-2 with date, time, latitude, longitude, X (RT90), Y (RT90), depth and local magnitude (ML). In August only 10 events were located whereof one had a magnitude above 2 and 4 had a magnitude above 1.0. The largest event (ML=2.3) was located in Kattegatt 68 km West of Kullen. The depth range of the events varies between 4.0 and 37.6 km.

| Table 3-2. Date, time, latitude, longitude, X (RT90), Y (RT90), depth and local magnitude |
|---|
| (ML) of recorded earthquakes in August. |

| Date | Time (UTC) | Latitude | Longitude | X RT90 km | Y RT90 km | Depth km | ML local magnitude |
|----------|---------------|----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| 20030802 | 143910.5 | 63.711 | 19.061 | 7071.0 | 1660.7 | 10.4 | -0.4 |
| 20030805 | 084954.1 | 66.227 | 23.319 | 7367.6 | 1837.3 | 4.0 | 1.4 |
| 20030810 | 180048.7 | 61.035 | 17.642 | 6770.1 | 1599.1 | 16.4 | 0.7 |
| 20030817 | 034538.0 | 64.701 | 20.462 | 7185.4 | 1721.8 | 16.6 | 0.0 |
| 20030817 | 231542.8 | 60.519 | 12.994 | 6714.5 | 1345.5 | 5.7 | 0.9 |
| 20030820 | 010202.4 | 64.581 | 21.071 | 7174.4 | 1751.9 | 8.0 | -0.2 |
| 20030820 | 112307.1 | 64.244 | 20.641 | 7135.2 | 1734.2 | 18.4 | 1.1 |
| 20030822 | 034939.7 | 56.486 | 11.395 | 6270.8 | 1228.2 | 37.6 | 2.3 |
| 20030824 | 034231.0 | 61.719 | 17.066 | 6845.5 | 1566.5 | 10.4 | 1.9 |
| 20030825 | 223023.0 | 61.921 | 17.151 | 6868.2 | 1570.5 | 5.9 | 1.0 |

3.3 September

Event list for September is given in Table 3-3 with date, time, latitude, longitude, X (RT90), Y (RT90), depth and local magnitude (ML). In September only 14 earthquakes were located whereof one had a magnitude above 2 and additional 3 had a magnitude above 1.0. The largest event (ML=2.4) was located 8.7 km North-East of Sunne in Värmland. The depth range of the events varies between 0.1 to 19.3 km.

Table 3-3. Date, time, latitude, longitude, X (RT90), Y (RT90), depth and local magnitude (ML) of recorded earthquakes in September.

| Date | Time (UTC) | Latitude | Longitude | X RT90 km | Y RT90 km | Depth km | ML local magnitude |
|----------|---------------|----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| 20030902 | 122058.3 | 59.875 | 13.262 | 6642.1 | 1357.4 | 5.0 | 2.4 |
| 20030903 | 212726.8 | 63.259 | 18.522 | 7019.4 | 1636.3 | 16.4 | 0.4 |
| 20030905 | 041959.7 | 64.432 | 20.180 | 7154.5 | 1710.5 | 19.3 | 0.4 |
| 20030906 | 154415.7 | 63.776 | 18.624 | 7077.1 | 1638.8 | 0.1 | -0.1 |
| 20030906 | 154416.4 | 63.706 | 18.448 | 7069.0 | 1630.5 | 13.6 | 0.0 |
| 20030910 | 132858.5 | 63.596 | 17.872 | 7055.8 | 1602.4 | 0.1 | 0.7 |
| 20030910 | 201616.1 | 63.913 | 20.514 | 7097.9 | 1730.8 | 17.0 | 0.5 |
| 20030910 | 212013.5 | 57.231 | 16.862 | 6345.5 | 1563.6 | 17.2 | 1.2 |
| 20030912 | 042006.4 | 65.785 | 23.633 | 7320.4 | 1857.5 | 18.1 | 1.8 |
| 20030914 | 112245.6 | 63.180 | 18.806 | 7011.2 | 1650.9 | 12.9 | 0.2 |
| 20030914 | 123622.3 | 64.621 | 21.562 | 7180.9 | 1774.9 | 5.4 | -0.2 |
| 20030924 | 235116.1 | 64.348 | 20.621 | 7146.7 | 1732.4 | 13.4 | 1.7 |
| 20030928 | 050842.7 | 65.314 | 22.800 | 7263.6 | 1825.4 | 11.5 | 0.8 |
| 20030928 | 081240.4 | 64.802 | 20.408 | 7196.5 | 1718.4 | 3.4 | 0.7 |