



Hinkley Point C Supply Chain Update

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Dear

The EDF Board made a momentous decision on Thursday 28 July to go ahead with the construction of Hinkley Point C (HPC). The final investment decision follows significant achievements that have been made over the last 10 years. Vincent de Rivaz, CEO of EDF Energy, paid tribute to all those who have played their part in the long journey to reach last week's Board decision. These include the EDF Energy teams and partner Chinese investors with a special thank you to the supply chain partners who have also been part of the journey.



Vincent de Rivaz,
CEO of EDF Energy

This decision is hugely significant for the local and regional economy and has been warmly welcomed by The Somerset Chamber of Commerce, its regional partners and the regional supply chain as being a great boost for the Somerset and South West economy.

Shortly following the EDF decision the UK Government announced it will be reviewing the detail of the Hinkley Point C project. The Somerset Chamber of Commerce, whilst respecting the need for this review, are urging this be concluded as soon as possible.

Greg Clark, Secretary of State, recently commented, "New nuclear is an essential part of our plan for a secure, clean and affordable energy system that will power the economy throughout this century."

The Hinkley Supply Chain Team remains positive that the HPC project will go ahead. Dale Edwards, Chief Executive of The Somerset Chamber, said, "We fully appreciate that Theresa May and the new cabinet want to go over the details of the contract, but it is important that the government avoids any long term uncertainty, not only for the economic resilience of the region but also the country's long term energy security."

The Somerset Chamber and its regional partners agree that the benefits to the regional economy from Hinkley Point C are greater than simply the contract value secured and jobs created. The positive impact on the longer term legacy should also be taken into account. These legacy impacts include three key areas of skills, business capability and experience.

- The additional training and skills acquired by businesses to ready themselves for HPC can be utilised in future infrastructure projects in the South West and will almost certainly raise productivity.
- As business capability increases, the experiences gained whilst delivering on HPC will provide a strong platform from which to access new markets in the UK and overseas.
- The key supply chain engagement processes developed and used extremely successfully for HPC can be adapted and utilised for other

The Somerset Business Awards 2016

The Somerset Business Awards 2016 close for entries at noon on Monday 22nd August. Now in its 12th year, the Awards celebrate successful Somerset companies and offer an excellent opportunity for all business sectors to showcase their achievements to their peers.



There are 14 different categories to choose from. To enter (your company must be based within the administrative boundaries of Somerset - see T&Cs for more details) visit www.somersetbusinessawards.org.uk



A Survey to inform the market demand, design and build of Phase Two of the Somerset Energy Innovation Centre (SEIC), Bridgwater

Phase one of the Somerset Energy Innovation Centre near Bridgwater is complete (see

extremely successfully to HPC can be adapted and utilised for other projects across the South West and the UK - an ongoing study (funded by EDF Energy) by Bath University students is addressing this very subject.

The Hinkley Supply Chain Team will continue to engage with EDF Energy and Tier1 teams to identify opportunities early and drive the supplier engagement process, sourcing and promoting the most capable suppliers against identified requirements.

We will also continue to capture supplier capability for Somerset and the South West, as well as stimulating and facilitating collaboration where relevant.

We encourage suppliers to ensure their registration details on www.hinkleysupplychain.co.uk are up to date with the right contacts, latest financial information and accurate capability summaries.

Any queries, please email office@hinkleysupplychain.co.uk or call 01823 443425

Hinkley Point C Jobs Service

The construction and operation of Hinkley Point C will create thousands of employment and apprenticeship opportunities in a broad range of occupations and careers. Opportunities will include construction, civil engineering, electrical installation, hospitality, catering, logistics, security, site services, support roles and others over the coming years.

To help ensure that local people can access employment opportunities, both during the construction and into operation, the Hinkley Point C Jobs Service has been set up - a partnership between EDF Energy, Jobcentre Plus and other local support organisations and training providers. Key roles include;

- Matching people to available jobs at Hinkley Point C and other local opportunities.
- Delivering and arranging programmes to help people into employment.
- Invests in and supports dedicated local training centers that can provide skills and courses that employers need.

For more information, please contact the Hinkley Point C Jobs Service either by telephone or e-mail:

Email: Hinkley-jobs@edf-energy.com
Telephone: 01278 436132

near Bridgwater is complete (see: www.somersetenergyinnovationcentre.co.uk) and Somerset County Council is currently planning Phase Two which will include facilities specifically designed for businesses in the low carbon energy sector and also for businesses involved in the supply chain for the Hinkley Point C development.

We would appreciate your involvement to help inform our planning for the development of these future phases and we are therefore asking you to spare the time to complete the attached survey by the **19th August 2016**.

www.surveygizmo.com/s3/2955536/SEIC-Survey



Photography competition

Do you know someone who takes beautiful photographs? Or are you a bit of a shutterbug yourself?

Share your photographs taken in and around Somerset with EDF and they will publish their favourite in the next edition of their community newsletter. The winner will receive a £50 voucher.

Send your high resolution photo to: Hinkley-enquiries@edf-energy.com (with your name and details of where the photograph was taken and what camera you used to capture the shot.)

Useful Links:

Hinkley Supply Chain:
[HSC](#)

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[SEIC](#)

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