

**NEWS RELEASE****2 AUGUST 2010****Horizon Nuclear Power studies options for new Wylfa Station**

**Horizon Nuclear Power today said initial work by reactor companies would start shortly on preparatory design studies for its proposed new power station in North Wales.**

The company has signed contracts for preliminary work to be carried out between now and the end of the year with Areva and the consortium formed by Westinghouse Electric Company Nuclear Power Delivery UK (NPDUK). The two organisations' designs are being assessed for new UK nuclear reactor licences.

In March Horizon said that it would build its first reactor at Wylfa on the Isle of Anglesey given the right market conditions and subject to a final investment decision. It said it would select a preferred vendor around the end of the year and aims to be generating power by 2020.

Alan Raymant, COO of Horizon said:

"We are already working with both companies in a formal procurement process regarding our preferred vendor. Progressing with some studies now, for both designs, will support our planning and licensing process by allowing us to develop the site specific designs, and make us a more informed buyer.

"This will help deliver the best solution for Wylfa specifically and underpin our confidence in the build programme. It will also drive more competitive bids which ultimately will be good for the consumer, keeping the price of energy down."

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**Horizon Nuclear Power Ltd.** Horizon Nuclear Power is a joint venture established in 2009 by E.ON UK and RWE npower. The company is developing proposals for new nuclear power stations at Wylfa on the Isle of Anglesey and at Oldbury-on-Severn in Gloucestershire. Our shareholders have interests in 23 nuclear power stations in Germany and Sweden and jointly own three stations in Germany. For more information visit: [www.horizonnuclearpower.com](http://www.horizonnuclearpower.com)

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