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New UK nuclear contracts announced

Horizon Nuclear Power today announced it had agreed important strategic contracts with three major UK based companies for the provision of engineering and related technical services.

The company is developing nuclear power stations at Wylfa on Anglesey and Oldbury in South Gloucestershire. The projects are expected to represent multibillion pound investments in the country's power infrastructure.

The successful lead suppliers - AMEC, Atkins and Cavendish Nuclear - and their supply chains will be working collaboratively with Horizon for the next three years on consultancy and technical design activities for Horizon's lead site, Wylfa Newydd, and supporting the development of expertise within the company itself.

The partner companies were selected following a competitive procurement process on the strength of their broad range of expertise, value for money criteria and alignment with Horizon's company values. These contracts establish long term partnership arrangements with Tier 1 suppliers, and their supply chains. Their work will be crucial in helping Horizon continue its planning and preparation for main construction from 2018.

Horizon Chief Operating Officer, Alan Raymant, said: "These contracts underline our aspiration to become a leading new nuclear utility company and demonstrate real momentum. Working with our new framework suppliers and their supply chains, I'm confident we will continue to progress our detailed plans as we prepare for our first formal public consultation next year. The signing of these contracts also highlights our commitment to working with UK suppliers where possible."

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The frameworks cover support to Horizon in the following areas:

- Development and Planning
- Site Investigation
- Engineering Support
- Environmental Permitting and Waste Management
- Planning and Project Management Support

Each of the successful companies leads a team which brings a wealth of skills and experience to the project. The partners will be working with Horizon to create opportunities for others in the supply chain where appropriate, including local businesses.

Horizon will procure other works, services and goods that are outside of this framework, such as physical works and assurance services. Suppliers interested in direct opportunities or sub-contracting opportunities are encouraged to register their company's information on the Horizon supplier portal: <http://www.horizonnuclearpower.com/supplier-registration>

As a result of a separate process, Horizon has also selected AMEC, Atkins and Cavendish Nuclear to provide regulatory licensing and safety case support.

Clive White, President of AMEC's Clean Energy Europe business, said: "We are proud to have been selected as one of Horizon's key supply chain partners for this prestigious programme.

AMEC has been involved in every single new build programme in the UK and, having the opportunity to partner with Horizon will allow us to support the delivery of nuclear power stations at Wylfa and Oldbury. This is a huge investment in the UK's nuclear industry, creating both national and local employment opportunities and investing in our country's energy infrastructure."

Chris Ball, Managing Director of Atkins' Nuclear business, said: "To be selected as a tier one supplier is testament to the success of Atkins' long standing relationship with Horizon. We look forward to further combining our technical expertise, cultural values and local presence in the collaborative development of a sustainable and skilled supply chain to support the successful delivery of Wylfa and Oldbury."

Roger Hardy, Managing Director of London-based Cavendish Nuclear, said: "Horizon's development plans are of national strategic importance to the UK's low-carbon future and a major opportunity for UK suppliers.

I'm delighted that Cavendish Nuclear, with our proven track record in the delivery of major nuclear projects, will be working with Horizon and the wider UK supply chain to deliver the next generation of nuclear power plant in the UK."

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Notes to editors

- Horizon Nuclear Power was formed in 2009 to develop new nuclear power stations in the UK. It was acquired by Hitachi Ltd of Japan in November 2012. The company is developing plans to build at least 5,400MW of new nuclear power generation plant at Wylfa on the Isle of Anglesey and Oldbury-on-Severn in South Gloucestershire.
- AMEC (LSE: AMEC) is a focused supplier of consultancy, engineering and project management services to its customers in the world's oil and gas, mining, clean energy, environment and infrastructure markets. With annual revenues of some £4.2 billion, AMEC designs, delivers and maintains strategic and complex assets and employs over 29,000 people in around 40 countries worldwide. See www.amec.com
- Atkins is one of the world's leading design, engineering and project management consultancies*, employing some 17,400 people across the UK, North America, Middle East, Asia Pacific and Europe. Over 75 years, from post-war regeneration and the advent of nuclear engineering to high speed rail and the integrated sustainable cities of the future, our people's breadth and depth of expertise and drive to ask why has allowed us to plan, design and enable some of the world's most complex projects. See www.atkinsglobal.com
*Atkins is the 14th largest global design firm (Engineering News-Record 2013) and the third largest multidisciplinary consultancy in Europe (Svensk Teknik och Design 2012).
- Cavendish Nuclear, the second largest site operator in the UK, combines much of the nation's rich nuclear heritage under a single brand launched in 2013. Based in London, Cavendish Nuclear employs the UK's largest nuclear-skilled workforce, with 2700 people across the new-build, power generation, waste management and decommissioning sectors in the UK and abroad, and is responsible for three licensed nuclear sites, including the UK flagship decommissioning project at Dounreay, Scotland. See <http://www.cavendishnuclear.com/>

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