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Horizon third-year apprentices travel to Spain for eight month placement

~ And Wylfa Newydd welcomes its newest intake ~

Horizon Nuclear Power's third year technical apprentices are set to begin an eight-month placement that includes working at nuclear power stations in Spain, as a dozen new apprentices are welcomed to Wylfa Newydd.

The 10 third-year apprentices will gain valuable experience of working at operational nuclear power stations across Spain, thanks to Horizon's training partner Tecnomat, including being involved in the refuelling process. This experience will go towards the qualifications they need to complete their Technical Apprenticeship Scheme at Horizon.

Horizon has also welcomed 12 new technical apprentices to the Wylfa Newydd team, the third cohort since the apprenticeship scheme was launched in 2016. The new intake means that Horizon now employs 33 apprentices, with the majority Welsh-speakers living on Anglesey. Initially based at Coleg Menai in Bangor, they will move to the brand new multi-million-pound Engineering Centre in Llangefni when it opens in the coming months. Apprenticeships last three years and are run in partnership with Grŵp Llandrillo Menai.

Gwen Parry-Jones, Executive Director, Operations Development at Horizon Nuclear Power, said: "This is an incredible once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for our final year apprentices. Not only will they work in several operational nuclear power stations, but they'll also have the chance to live and work in a different country with a new culture, language and team. I'm delighted we've been able to organise this in partnership with our training partner Tecnomat and provide such a valuable experience for our apprentices."

The placement programme, which runs from 11 September 2018 until April 2019, will see the apprentices working every four weeks in Spain at several nuclear sites, before working for one week back with Horizon in north Wales.

Gwen Parry-Jones added: "We're so pleased to welcome our newest members of the team to the Wylfa Newydd Project. Our apprenticeship programme continues our commitment to investing in the next generation of workers and we hope this opportunity will inspire them to work in this exciting industry once they've gained their qualifications."

Cari Jones, first-year apprentice at Horizon, said: "I'm so excited to have joined Horizon, as I've always wanted to become an engineer. I'm the second generation of my family to work in the nuclear industry on Anglesey, so I'm proud to follow in their footsteps. This apprenticeship is a fantastic opportunity, as it means I can work while gaining new qualifications and stay on the island."

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For more information about Wylfa Newydd and the opportunities it will bring, visit www.horizonnuclearpower.com, call the freephone information line on 0800 954 9516, or email wylfaenquiries@horizonnuclearpower.com.

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. in November 2012. The company is developing plans to build at least 5,800MW of new nuclear power generation plant at Wylfa on the Isle of

Anglesey and Oldbury-on-Severn in South Gloucestershire. Its power station sites will employ up to 850 people each once operational with construction workforces of up to 9,000. Horizon's development on Anglesey will represent a multibillion pound investment in North Wales, creating high-quality, long term employment opportunities and unlocking lasting economic and social benefits for the region.