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Hundreds of businesses attend Wylfa Newydd supply chain event

National and local firms hear about "once in a generation" opportunity offered by nuclear new build project

London, July 23, 2014 --- Hundreds of representatives from businesses across the UK, North Wales and Anglesey gathered today at Venue Cymru in Llandudno to learn more about the supply chain opportunities that will be unlocked by the Wylfa Newydd project.

The project, which is being developed on the Isle of Anglesey by Horizon Nuclear Power, supported by Hitachi-GE, will create significant opportunities for businesses across the UK, Wales and locally, both during the construction phase and through its many decades of operation.

Tim Eaton, Horizon's Commercial Director, said: "The huge attendance at this event shows the excitement that Wylfa Newydd is generating among companies from across the region and the UK. We've made fantastic progress on the project and we've set out today how businesses can help us continue to move forward successfully. This kind of opportunity only comes along once in a generation and we want businesses to be ready to make the most of it."

The event was attended by more than 350 delegates, representing approximately 250 companies. Representatives of Horizon and Hitachi-GE explained to delegates their approach to procurement, including introductions to future scopes of work and their expectations in relation to quality, codes and standards. They were joined on stage by speakers from UK and Welsh Government as well as the Isle of Anglesey County Council, discussing the support available for businesses.

The event also incorporated exhibition stands from skills agencies, industry organisations and education establishments, who are able to equip businesses with the knowledge and qualifications they will need to work on the Project.

Shunsuke Utena, Executive Officer of Hitachi Europe's Nuclear Power Projects Unit, said: "Wylfa Newydd represents an unparalleled opportunity for Welsh and British businesses. As we develop our supply chain to deliver a scope of work for Horizon, we're always looking for the right quality and the right behaviours. Alongside Horizon, today's event has given us the opportunity to explain more about our approach and expectations as we continue building our relationships with the UK supply chain. Our priority is to help Welsh and British firms understand where opportunities could exist and how they can prepare to take advantage of them in the years to come."

Notes to Editors

- Horizon's development at Wylfa Newydd will represent a multibillion pound investment in North Wales. It is expected to create up to 1000 jobs during operation.
- Hitachi Europe's Nuclear Power Projects Unit represents Hitachi-GE Nuclear Energy Ltd in the UK, as the leader of an EPC delivery team for Horizon Nuclear Power at Wylfa Newydd.

About Horizon Nuclear Power

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. Its power station sites will employ up to 1000 people each once operational with a construction workforce of around 4,000, peaking at 8,500 for a short period. For more information about Horizon, please visit www.horizonnuclearpower.com.

About Hitachi-GE Nuclear Energy, Ltd.

Hitachi-GE, a joint venture established by Hitachi, Ltd. and General Electric Company in July 2007, as one of the world's leading comprehensive plant manufacturers, engages in the development, planning, design, manufacture, inspection, installation, pre-operation, and maintenance of nuclear reactor-related equipment and is able to execute integrated project management. Hitachi-GE has been involved with 23 reactors in Japan to date, including those currently under construction. Among them, it has participated in all of Japan's Advanced Boiling Water Reactor (ABWR) projects—four ABWRs are already operational and three are under construction. Overseas, it has supplied major nuclear reactor equipment for the Lungmen Nuclear Power Plant in Taiwan.

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