



Press Release

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Contractors Welcome NPS For Geological Disposal

Civils contractors today welcomed the publication of a National Policy Statement for Geological Disposal Infrastructure which helps ensure that nuclear power remains a key part of our energy mix.

The NPS sets out the need for world class geological disposal of higher activity radioactive waste in England, and the Government's approach to delivering it.

Commenting, Director of External Affairs for the Civil Engineering Contractors Association (CECA) Marie-Claude Hemming said: "The UK has accumulated radioactive waste from a range of activities including nuclear power generation and it is vital that these radioactive by-products are safely looked after across their life cycle.

"CECA is supportive of nuclear power to help meet our energy needs, but this goes hand in hand with the effective treatment and storage of its waste.

"This National Policy Statement is another step towards to the delivery of lower carbon energy for millions of businesses and communities long into the future."

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Notes to Editors

^{1.} The Civil Engineering Contractors Association (CECA) represents over 300 contractors of all sizes, covering approximately 80% of the civil engineering market in Great Britain. Our members build infrastructure that provides the basis for economic sustainability and quality of life in communities across the country.

^{2.} https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/814491/national-policy-statement-geological-disposal-infrastructure.pdf