



# Press Release

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## CECA: Industry Primed To Deliver On New Nuclear Without Delay

Civils contractors today welcomed the publication of the UK Government's net zero strategy and called for the UK Government to move swiftly to implement the delivery of new nuclear power.

*Net Zero Strategy: Build Back Greener*<sup>2</sup> sets out the Government's plans to ensure that by 2035 the UK will be powered entirely by clean energy, subject to security of supply.

The strategy affirms the Government's commitment to secure a final investment decision on a large-scale nuclear plant by the end of this Parliament. In addition, the Government has announced the launch a new £120 million Future Nuclear Enabling Fund, as well as its commitment to a range of other renewable energy sources.

Commenting, Director of External Affairs for the Civil Engineering Contractors Association (CECA) Marie-Claude Hemming said: "CECA has long championed new nuclear power a vital component of the mixed energy portfolio the UK will require to keep the lights on and meet our carbon commitments.

"We welcome the UK Government's endorsement of new nuclear as a vital part of the UK's energy future, but would caution that nuclear schemes have been subject to unnecessary delays in the past.

"Industry is primed to deliver new nuclear generation. We call on the Government to ensure that nationally-significant schemes of this kind are brought forward to market as rapidly as possible, so that our members can plan accordingly, get spades in the ground, and deliver the green energy future the UK needs."

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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/1026655/net-zero-strategy.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1026655/net-zero-strategy.pdf)

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