

GMB responds to Hinkley Point overspend



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GMB, the energy union, has responded to today's progress report on Hinkley Point C.

Justin Bowden, National Secretary, said:

"The important message from today's announcement is Hinkley Point C is still on schedule to be generating desperately-needed electricity by 2025.

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"If we are to have any chance of meeting a net zero carbon emissions target by 2050, never mind sooner, Britain leads at least six new nuclear power stations and all the ultra-low carbon electricity they produce - regardless of the weather - alongside green hydrogen gas and intermittent wind and solar as part of a balanced energy mix.

"In the UK, every one in 5.6 days on average is a low wind day when the output of the installed and connected wind turbines in the UK produce less than 10% of their installed and connected capacity for more than half of the day. For 341 days in the year, solar output is below 10% of installed capacity for more than half of the day."

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