

EDF agrees to buy British Energy

A £12.5bn deal giving French energy firm EDF control of eight of the UK's 10 nuclear power plants, and most of the best sites for building more, puts EDF in a dominant position for the planned revival of the UK's nuclear industry

BRITISH ENERGY'S NUCLEAR PLANTS

■ Torness

Production: 1,250 MW
Year commissioned: 1989
Due to close down: 2023

■ Hunterston B

840 MW*. 1977 / 2016

■ Hartlepool:

1,190 MW. 1984 / 2014

■ Heysham 1

1,160 MW. 1984 / 2014

■ Heysham 2

1,230 MW. 1988 / 2023

■ Sizewell B

1,188 MW. 1995 / 2035

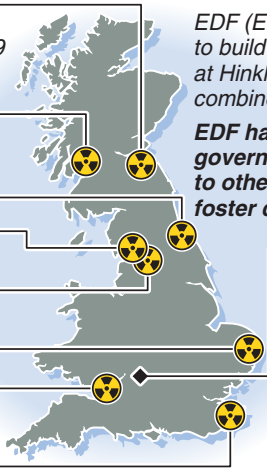
■ Hinkley Point B

860 MW*. 1976 / 2016

■ Dungeness B

1,090 MW. 1985 / 2018

British Energy



EDF (Electricite de France) plans to build four new nuclear reactors at Hinkley Point and Sizewell, with combined capacity of 6.4 gigawatts

EDF has agreed to British government request to sell land to other nuclear operators to foster competitive industry

Oldbury, Gloucestershire: German-owned energy company **Eon UK** plans to build £4bn, 1,600 MW plant on site of old reactor due to shut by 2009



* 70% of capacity

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