

Accelerate power decarbonisation

Coca-Cola European Partners (CCEP)

CCEP has reduced the carbon impact of its manufacturing operations by 63 per cent since 2010. As well as launching a major behavioural and investment programme, CCEP moved all its electricity sourcing contracts to certified renewable electricity in 2017. Part of the change included the building of a major solar farm with an innovative Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) structure that provides around 15 per cent of the electricity requirements of CCEP's factory in Wakefield. It has been so successful, CCEP is increasing the output to over 20 per cent of the site's requirements. The site, a disused open cast mine and then a landfill site, sits in Wakefield's flood defence area and is therefore of very little agricultural value. The development includes a rewilding project and social housing provision offering economic, environmental and societal benefits. As with many food and drinks companies, the next step in further decarbonising CCEP's manufacturing is in low carbon heat – an area rich with potential but significant technical challenges. [Read more.](#)

EDF in the UK

EDF in the UK is working hard to ensure positive socio-economic benefits from its Hinkley Point C new-build project, so that as well as making a proven contribution to decarbonisation, its new nuclear projects deliver a significant economic boost. The 2,500 businesses working together to build Hinkley Point C have already created 10,000 UK-based jobs out of a total 25,000 and trained 644 apprentices. Since the start of the coronavirus outbreak, the project has created 500 new well-paid, high-skilled jobs in regions where unemployment is high, including Humberside, Warrington and the South West. [Read more.](#)

ScottishPower

In recent years, ScottishPower has worked actively to improve diversity in the workforce and to increase mobility between offshore renewables and extractive industries. For example, ScottishPower Renewables (SPR) is involved in the creation and development of training courses at the East of England Offshore Wind Skills Centre. With a £55,000 donation, SPR sponsored ten places on an 'Offshore Wind Transition Course', which is aimed at individuals with previous experience in engineering. SPR also collaborates with the centre to ensure that the training meets the needs of the sector and can be adapted as the industry evolves. SPR staff members from the local operation and maintenance (O&M) facility regularly attend the college to provide career talks and interview training. In 2019, in one early success story, SPR recruited a trainee balance of plant technician from the course following on from their successful completion of the funded transition into offshore wind training. [Read more.](#)



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