



# press release

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**Ultra Electronics Holdings plc**  
(“Ultra” or “the Group”)

**Ultra awarded £12.9m contract from EDF Energy for the manufacture and support of nuclear reactor instrumentation.**

Ultra’s Nuclear Control Systems business in Dorset has been awarded a £12.9m contract for the supply of specialist instrumentation by EDF Energy.

Under this contract Ultra will manufacture and support safety-critical nuclear reactor instrumentation for use in EDF Energy’s current UK nuclear power stations. This is the second contract to benefit from Ultra’s recent investment in a state-of-the-art nuclear instrumentation manufacturing facility which further cements EDF Energy’s and Ultra’s relationship.

Ultra is a supplier of nuclear qualified instrumentation and control systems to key nuclear plant manufacturers and operators around the world. It currently supplies safety based equipment to 186 reactors in 16 countries.

**Rakesh Sharma, Chief Executive of Ultra, commented:**

“I am pleased to continue supporting EDF Energy in this strategic partnership. Ultra continues to invest and grow its specialist nuclear capability and it is an example of the resilience provided through Ultra’s broad portfolio of specialist capability areas.”

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### **Further information about Ultra:**

**Ultra Electronics** is a group of businesses which manage a portfolio of specialist capabilities, generating highly differentiated solutions and products in the defence & aerospace, security & cyber, transport and energy markets by applying electronic and software technologies in demanding and critical environments to meet customer needs

Ultra has world-leading positions in many of its specialist capabilities and, as an independent, non-threatening partner, is able to support all of the main prime contractors in its sectors. As a result of such positioning, Ultra's systems, equipment or services are often mission or safety-critical to the successful operation of the platform to which they contribute. In turn, this mission-criticality secures Ultra's positions for the long term which underpins the superior financial performance of the Group.

Ultra offers support to its customers through the design, delivery and support phases of a programme. Ultra businesses have a high degree of operational autonomy where the local management teams are empowered to devise and implement competitive strategies that reflect their expertise in their specific niches. The Group has a small head office and executive team that provide to the individual businesses the same agile, responsive support that they provide to customers as well as formulating Ultra's overarching, corporate strategy.

Across the Group's three divisions, the major market sectors in which Ultra operates are:

**Defence:** Ultra supplies advanced electronic and electrical systems and equipment to coalition defence forces around the world. The Group innovates to provide battle-winning, specialist capabilities that are tailored to the customer's need and environment. Ultra has world-class capabilities in sonar systems, command & control, platform electrics, surveillance systems and network communications solutions.

**Security:** Ultra provides highly differentiated systems and capabilities to the broad security, intelligence and cyber market. Ultra has highly specialised capabilities in secure communications, networks and cryptographic equipment, key management systems and surveillance systems and intelligence gathering systems.

**Transport:** Ultra provides specialist software, systems and equipment for use in mass passenger transport systems. This includes high integrity real-time controls for civil aircraft, advanced IT solutions for modern airports and trackside power equipment for transit rail systems.

**Energy:** Ultra has a range of safety critical sensors and controls used in existing and new build nuclear reactors. The Group has innovative portable energy sources powered by readily available propane gas.

### **Further information about EDF Energy:**

**EDF Energy** is one of the UK's largest energy companies and the largest producer of low-carbon electricity, producing around one-sixth of the nation's electricity from its nuclear power stations, wind farms, coal and gas power stations and combined heat and power plants. The company supplies gas and electricity to more than 5.5 million business and residential customer accounts and is the biggest supplier of electricity by volume in Great Britain.

EDF Energy's safe and secure operation of its eight existing nuclear power stations at sites across the country makes it the UK's largest generator of low carbon electricity. EDF Energy is also leading the UK's nuclear renaissance and has published plans to build four new nuclear plants, subject to the right investment framework. These new plants could generate enough low carbon electricity for about 40% of Britain's homes. They would make an important contribution to the UK's future needs for clean, secure and affordable energy. The project is already creating business and job opportunities for British companies and workers.

Through Our Sustainability Commitments, EDF Energy has launched one of the biggest environmental and social programmes of any British energy company. In the 2012 Business in the Community Awards for Excellence EDF Energy won the awards for Environmental Leadership and Building Stronger Communities. In addition the company received eight BITC "Big Tick" awards in recognition of responsible business practice and was shortlisted for Responsible Business of the Year.

EDF was the official electricity supplier and an official partner of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. The company is also helping its customers and others use energy more sustainably through products and initiatives such as Team Green Britain, real time energy monitoring and electric vehicle research.

EDF Energy is part of EDF Group, one of Europe's largest power companies. The company employs around 15,000 people at locations across the UK.