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# Welcome



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## Ian Radley

Chief Commercial Officer  
National Gas



# Agenda

## Part I – Industry Leader Updates 10:00

**Lord Moynihan**, House of Lords

**Jenny Phillips**, National Gas

**Gavin Williams**, National Gas

Break (11:15 – 11:40)

## Part II 11:40

**William Knight**, DESNZ

**Phoebe Finn**, Statera Energy

**Marcus Gurske**, World Gas Conference

Lunch (12:30 – 13:00)



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# Part I



# Part I Speakers



**Lord Moynihan**

Shadow Minister for Energy  
Security and Net Zero



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Shadow Minister for Energy Security &  
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# National Gas Operational Update and Summer Outlook



# Since the Last National Gas Energy Forum:

**The  
Guardian**

**Great Britain has only two days of gas stored, while Iran war threatens to disrupt supplies**

National Gas insists storage broadly in line with levels for time of year despite disruption for tankers carrying LNG

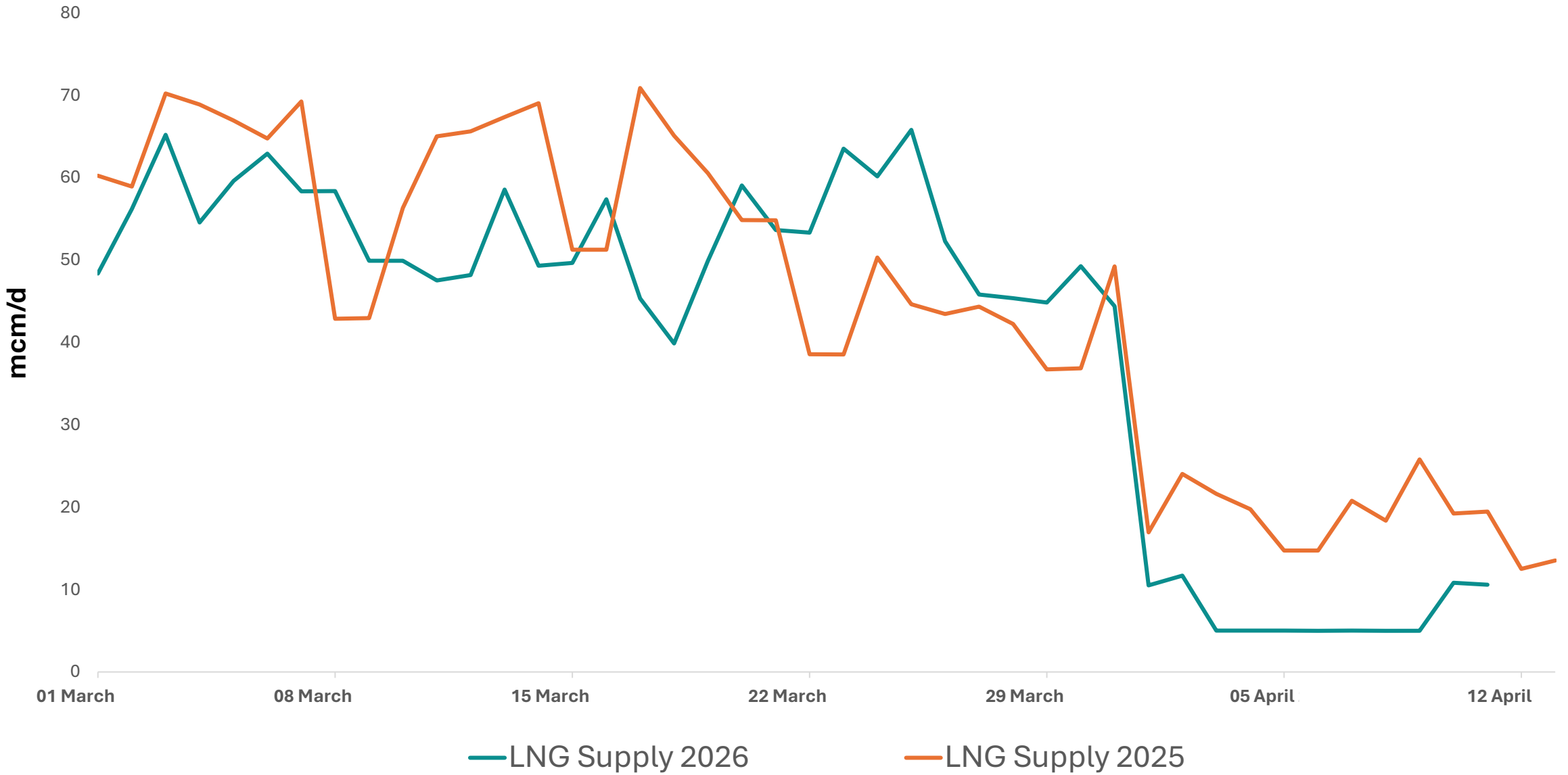


📷 A tanker carrying liquefied natural gas. The Iran war has disrupted shipping. Photograph: AP

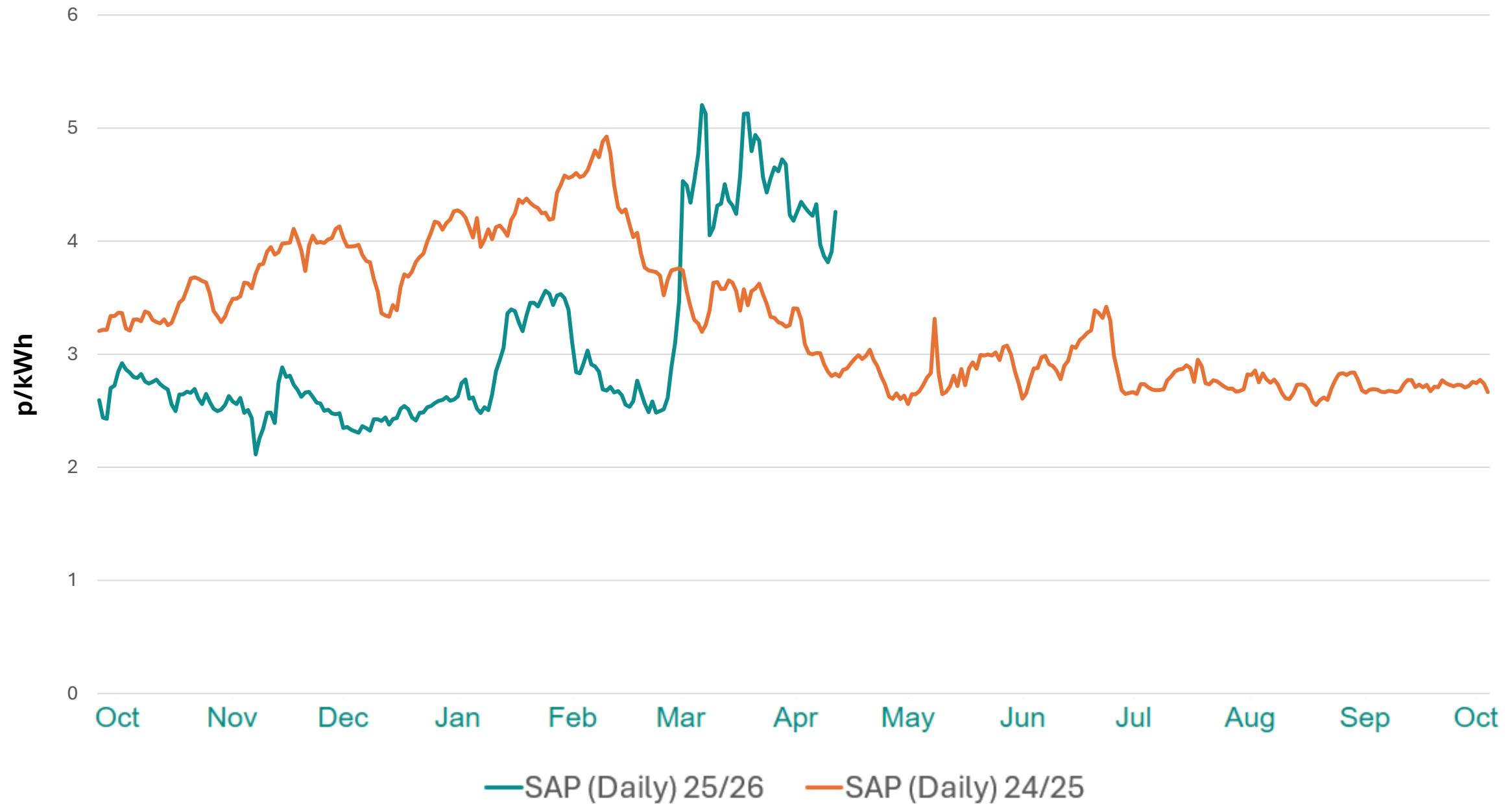
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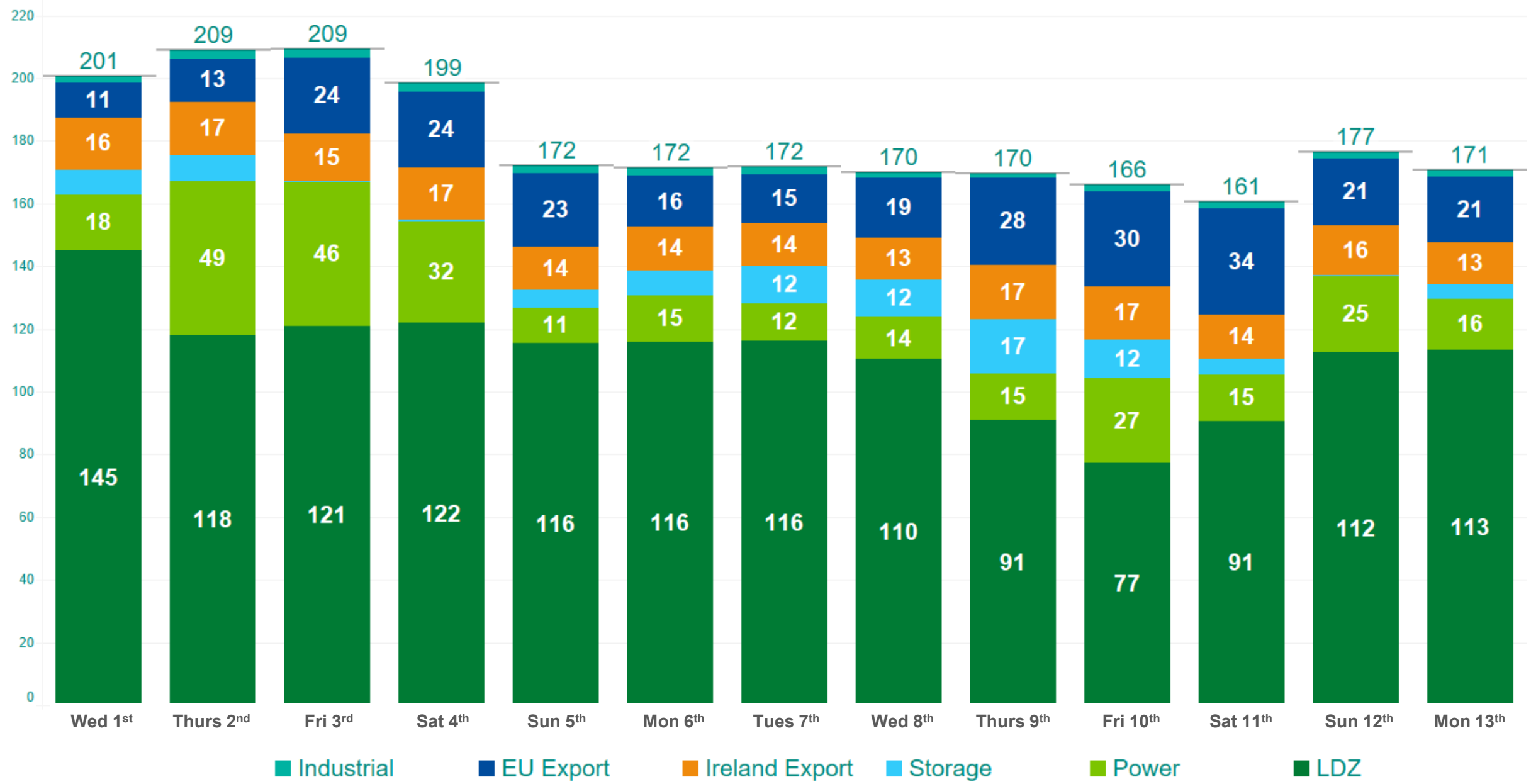
# Daily LNG Supplies vs 2025



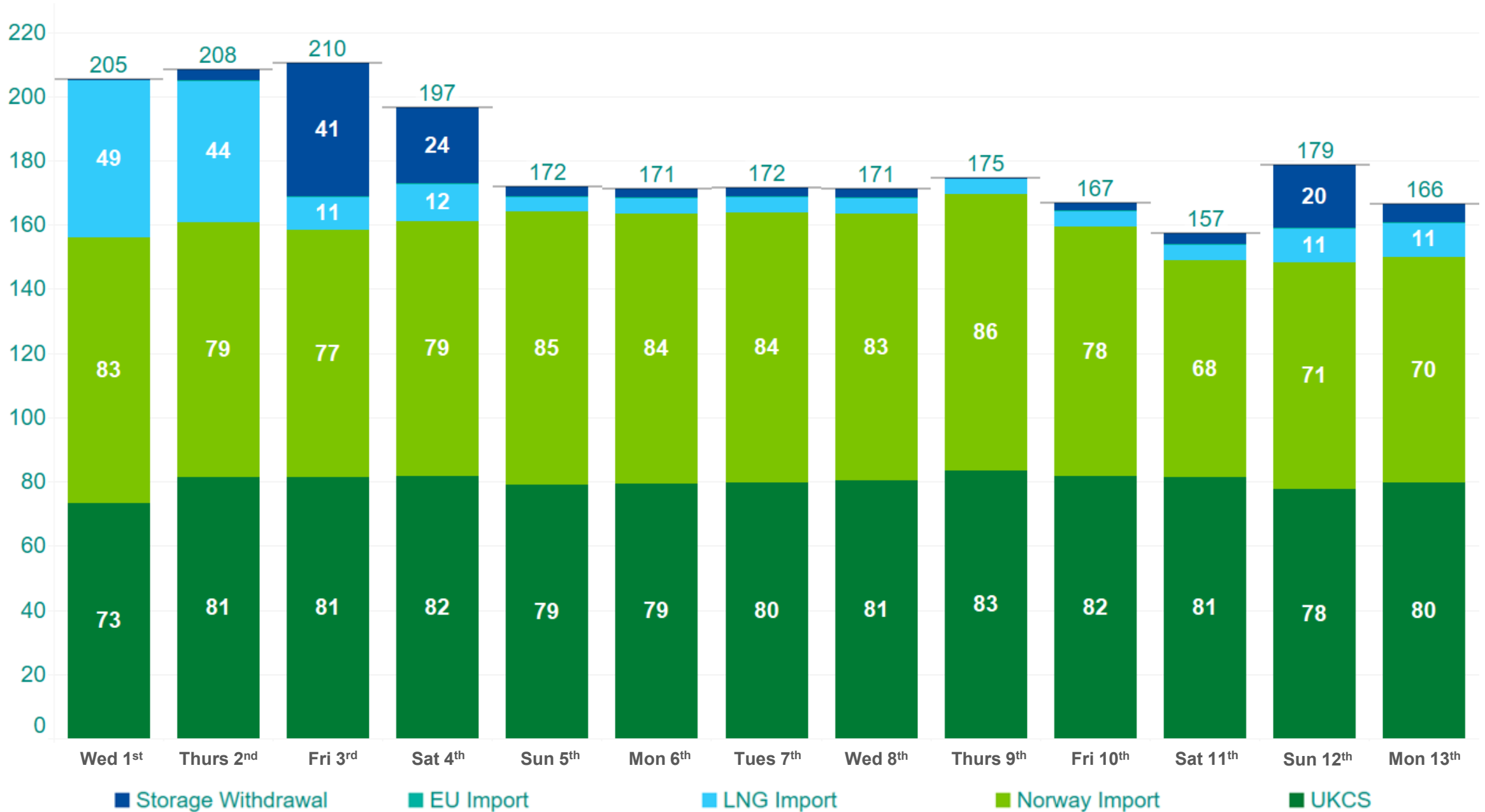
# System Average Price vs 2025



# NTS Demand Overview April '26



# NTS Supply Overview April '26



# GB Storage Levels

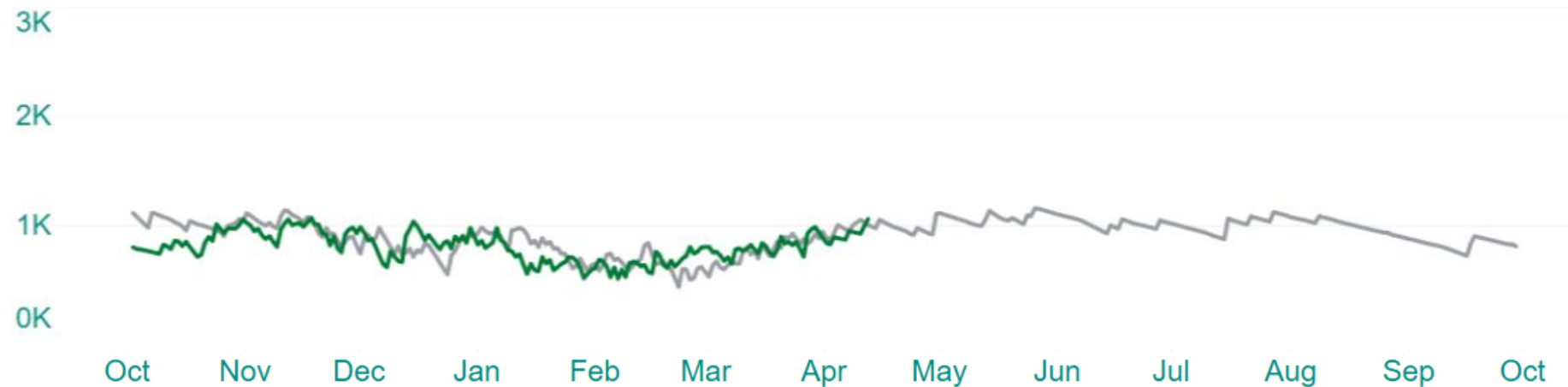
**Total GB Storage Stock**  
896 mcm  
46% full (MRS)

- Total Storage Oct-25 – April-26
- Total Storage Oct-24 – Oct-25
- MRS Only Oct-24 – Oct-25



**Total LNG Storage Stock**  
1071 mcm  
83% full

- LNG Stock Oct-25 – April-26
- LNG Stock Oct-24 – Oct-25



All data as at 16:00 13/4

# GB Storage

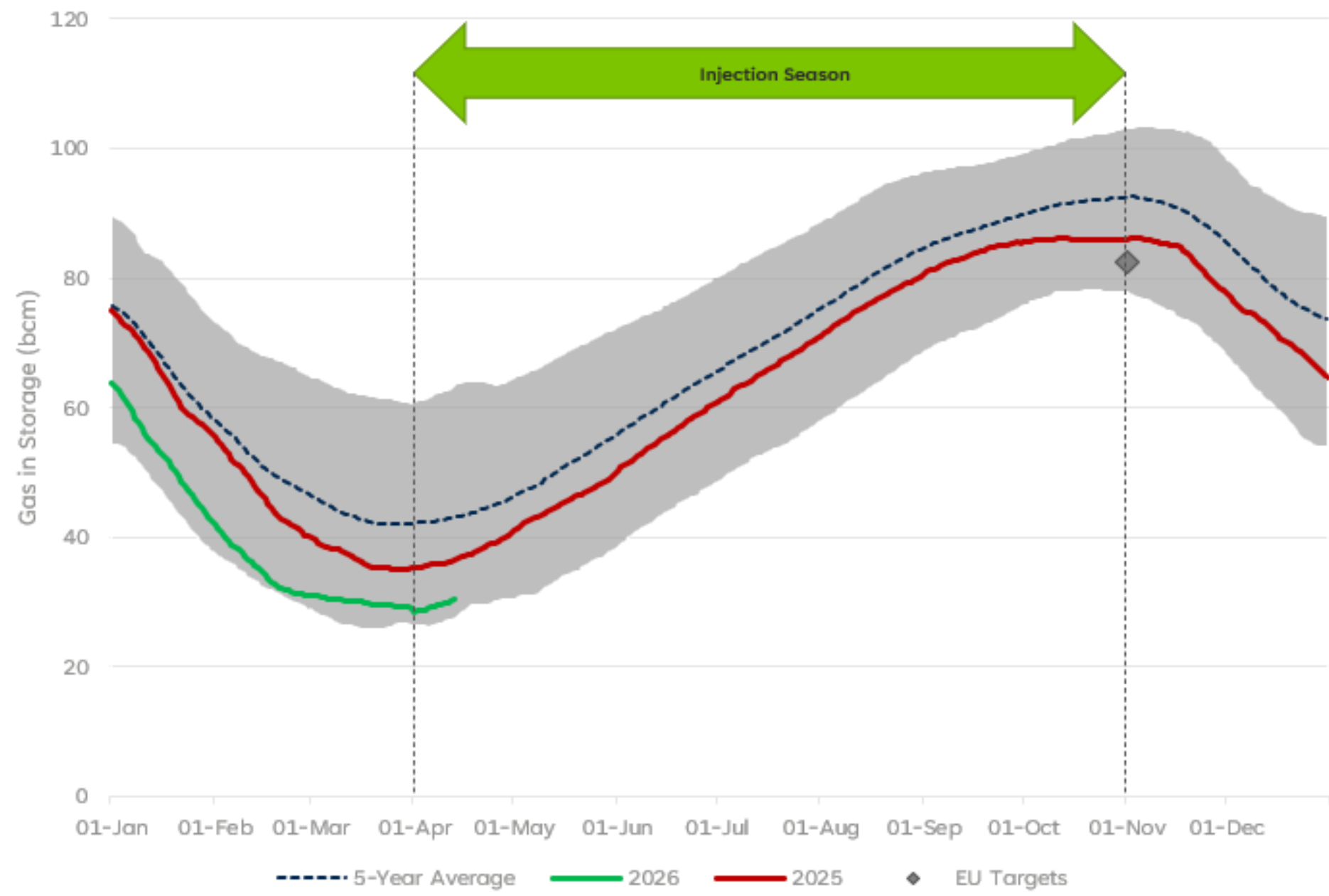


**illustration: GB Sites Injecting at full rates can reach 80% full in 31 days from zero commercial stocks**

**On the 10th April : GB MRS stocks >50%. Less than 20 days to fill at max rates with a maximum daily deliverability availability to the market of > 100mcm/d**

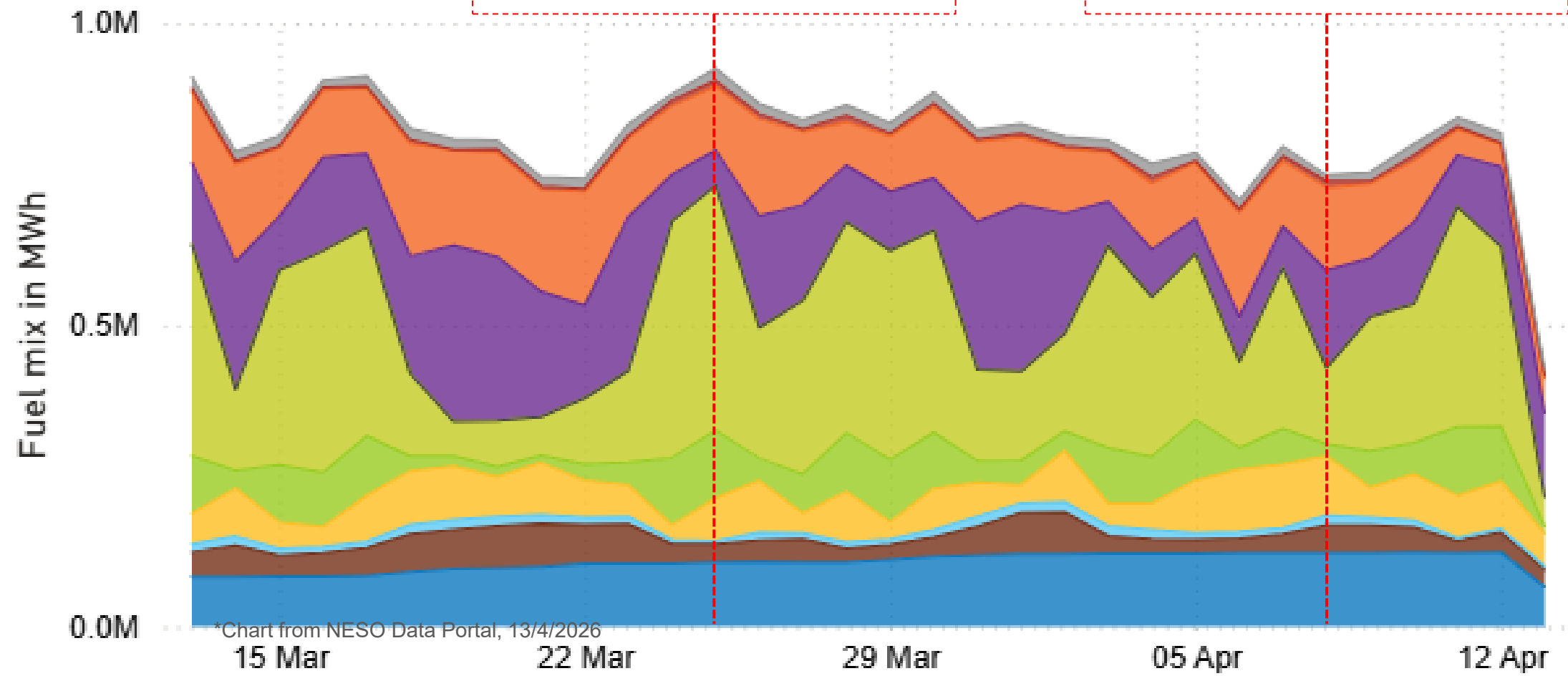
\*Indicative figures

# EU Storage Levels



# Renewable electricity generation levels

## MWh Fuel Mix

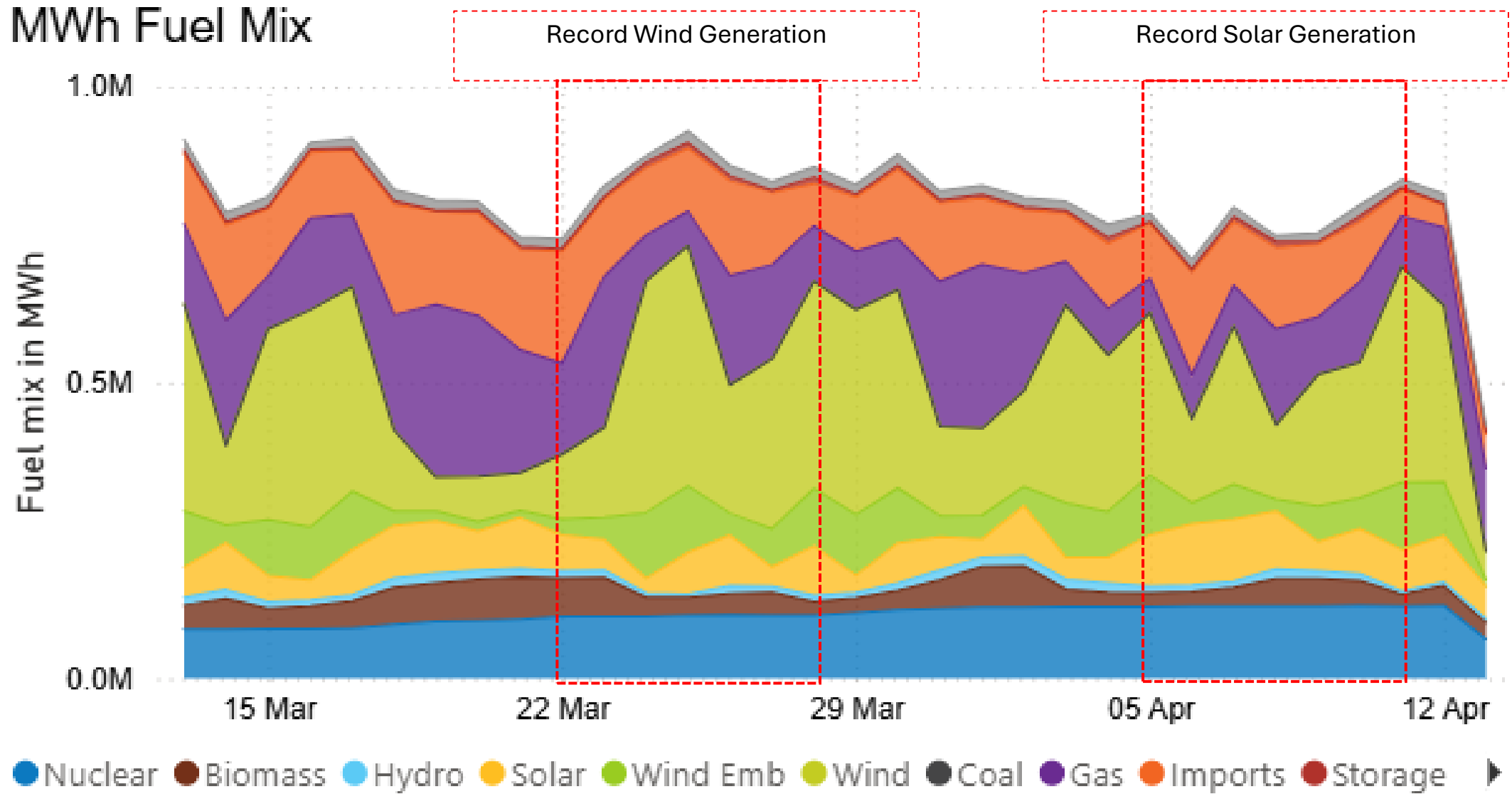


\*Chart from NESO Data Portal, 13/4/2026

- Nuclear
- Biomass
- Hydro
- Solar
- Wind Emb
- Wind
- Coal
- Gas
- Imports
- Storage

# Renewable electricity generation levels

## MWh Fuel Mix



\*Chart from NESO Data Portal, 13/4/2026

# Maintenance Plan

Compressor Outages **59**



Pipeline Isolations **29**



In Line Inspections **23**



Gas Quality Upgrades **12**



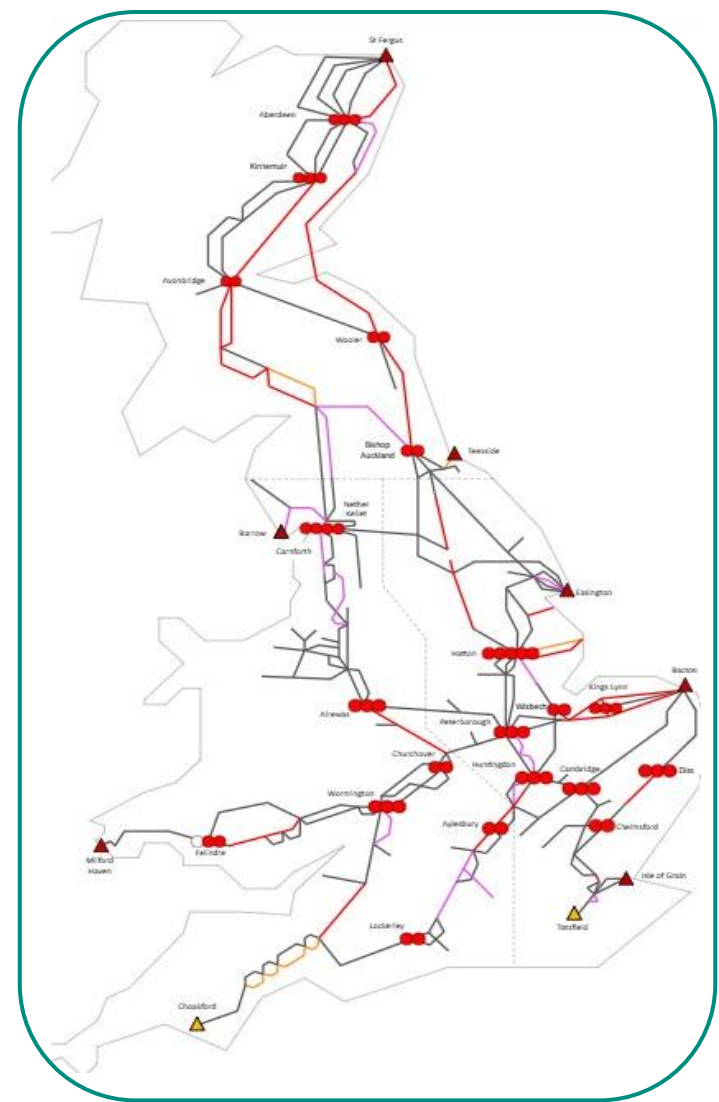
Restrictions, FCV and Telemetry Works **12**



Kilometres of pipeline will be isolated in FY27

## 760km

That's the equivalent of one pipeline outage from London to Zurich



[Link: 2026 Summer Outage Plan Final](#)

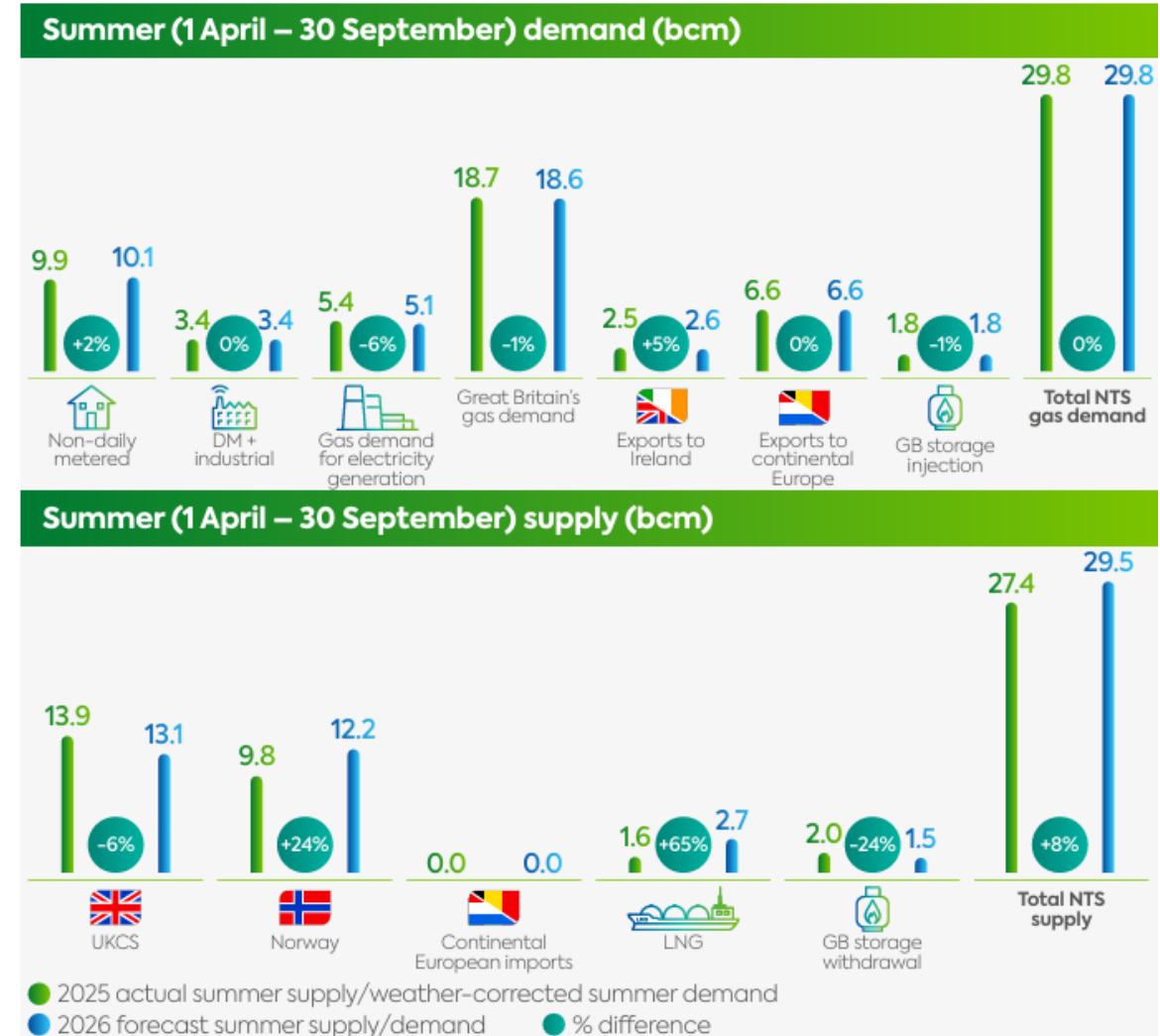
# Summer supply & demand forecast

## Demand

- Great Britain's demand and total gas demand for summer 2026 are forecast to be comparable to summer 2025, with a small decrease in gas for electricity generation (-6%), largely offset by an increase in non-daily metered (NDM) (+2%).
- While gas demand for electricity generation is lower during the summer, it is increasingly volatile. We see large swings occur both day-to-day and within the day, as gas-fired power stations respond to variability in weather-driven renewable generation and overall electricity demand.

## Supply

- Demand is expected to be met primarily by supplies from UK Continental Shelf and Norway, accounting for around 86% of total supply, and exceeding forecast demand for Great Britain and exports to Ireland.
- The remainder is met through a combination of Great Britain's flexible gas storage (around 5%) and LNG imports (around 9%), providing additional system flexibility.



# Middle East: potential impacts to supply and demand



**Non-daily metered (NDM)** – The higher wholesale gas prices are predicted to increase the price cap from July. However, as about two thirds of NDM demand is in the first half of the summer, we expect a limited impact to the overall NDM demand.



**Daily metered (DM) & Industrial** – Higher wholesale gas prices could impact the level of demand, but for the summer we would expect this to be limited.



**Gas demand for electricity generation** – The demand level could be impacted by changes in overall power consumption but demand for gas for electricity generation is mostly driven by the availability of other generating technologies.



**Ireland** – Exports to Ireland are impacted by all of the same drivers as already mentioned. But given the overall demand is smaller, we would not expect significant change.



**GB storage (injection and withdrawal)** – It is possible that more volatile prices could result in increased cycling of GB storage over the summer. This could increase both injections and withdrawals, but we would expect the net position to remain the same.



**Exports to Continental Europe and LNG imports** – Increased competition for LNG could reduce the amount delivered to Great Britain over summer, if this is the case we would expect exports to EU to reduce to balance this. Conversely it is also possible for changes to EU storage refill profiles to lead to higher LNG imports to Great Britain, at times, with exports to EU increased.



**UK Continental Shelf (UKCS) and Norway** – Higher prices could result in some maintenance being delayed and therefore result in slightly higher production levels. If this does occur it would likely result in lower imports of LNG.



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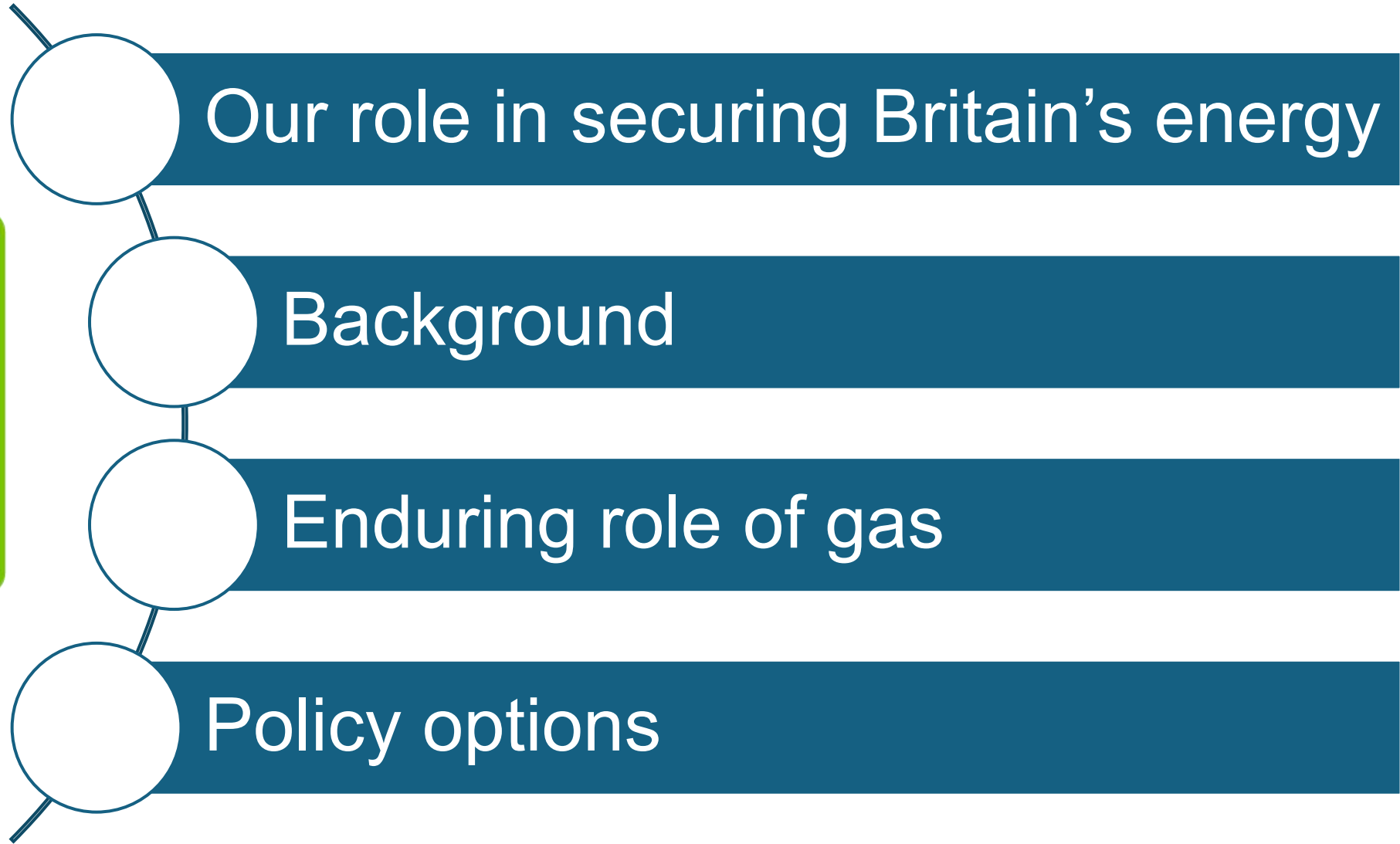
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# Gavin Williams

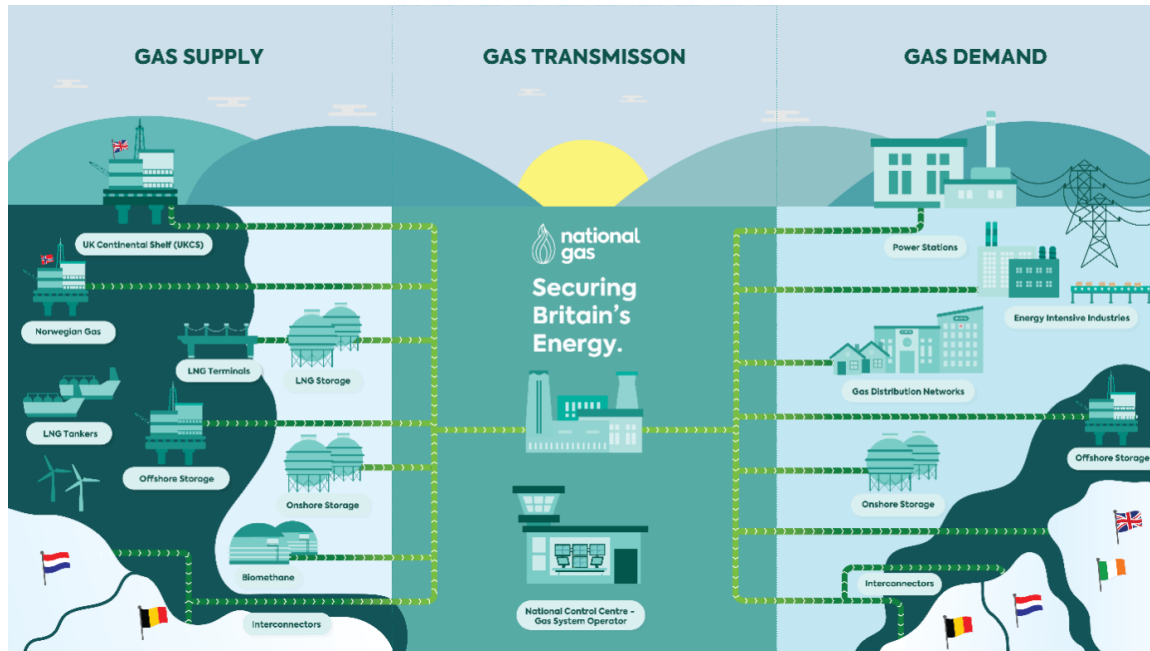
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# National Gas Response to the DESNZ Security of Supply consultation



# Our role in Securing Britain's Energy



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We own and operate the National Transmission System (NTS) in Great Britain

We operate under our Gas Transporter licence:

- Maintain system balance on the day as residual balancer of the NTS
- Operate safely within pressure & gas quality limits
- Facilitate competition
- Develop a network to meet peak demand (1-in-20)

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National Gas does not control upstream production, import capacity, storage levels or wider commercial supply decisions.

Similarly, National Gas does not have an obligation to proactively reinforce the transmission network in order to secure upstream supply availability

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# Background

## Gas flow 2000

Predominant North to South

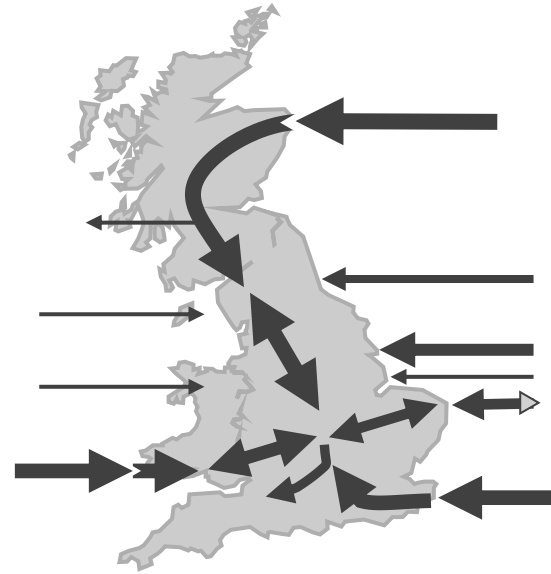


Gas source: 2000



## Gas flow 2022

Diversity of supply



Gas source: 2022



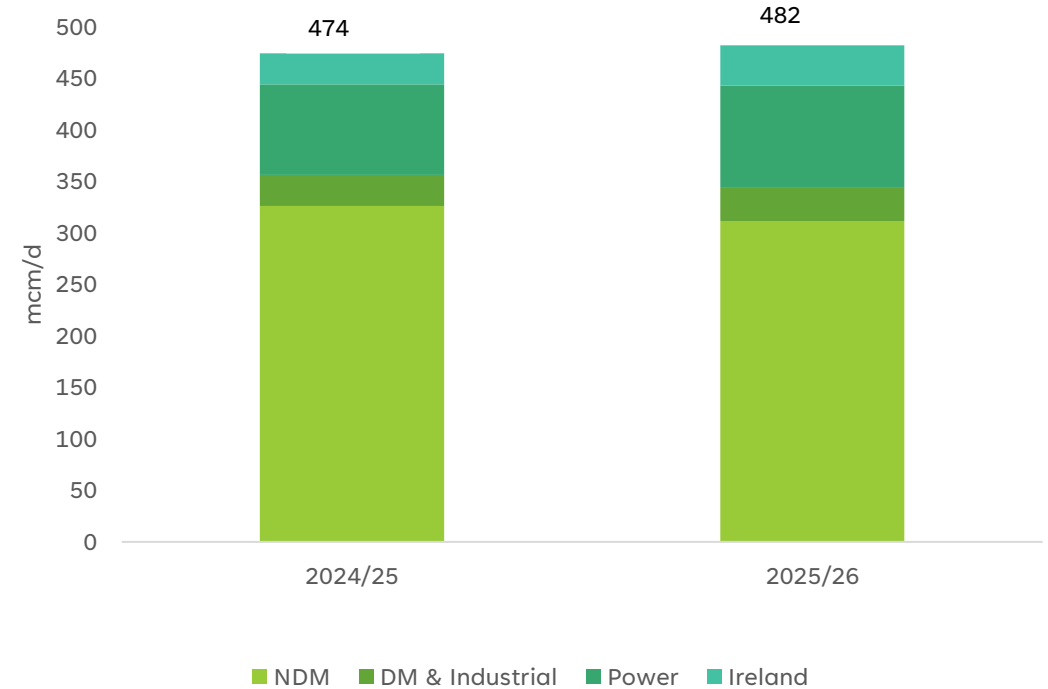
● UKCS ● Green Gas ● Norway ● Interconnectors ● LNG

- Gas flows across the NTS have evolved in response to changing supplies
- UKCS decline and commercial GB import decisions impact supply margins
- Recent assessments show increased GB gas security risks during periods of high demand:
  - National Gas' Winter Outlook and NESO's GSSA identify credible near-term scenarios in which supply shortfalls could arise in certain scenarios including supply losses

# Enduring role of gas

- Annualised gas demand is declining
- Peak demand remains high / increasing
- Role of gas evolving to fulfil a crucial “strategic reserve” for power generation
- Gas continues to be the primary energy source for domestic heating
- Inherent variability of renewable generation means system balancing needs greater during times of low renewable output
- This requires an increasing role for a dispatchable energy vector to close the gap

Peak 1-in-20 demand for 2024/25 and 2025/26



# 3 key aims



## Risk Appetite & Security Standard

- Determine GB risk appetite across credible supply-demand scenarios
- Maintain existing infrastructure/ planning standards
- Introduce 'deliverable commodity' security of supply standard



## Future proofed & competitive market

- Review of upper Wobbe Index
- Introduce a single National Transmission System (NTS) capacity reference price
- Explore opportunities to optimise UKCS production



## Strengthen infrastructure resilience

- Support NTS resilience projects
- Maintain (& enhance if required) flexible supply capability
- Explore commercial viability of flexible supply infrastructure

# Thank you

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**Up Next: Part II – 11:40**



# Part II Speakers



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# William Knight

Head of Hydrogen to Power  
Department for Energy Security & Net Zero





# Hydrogen Update: Hydrogen's role in a clean power system

**Dr Wil Knight**

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

April 2026



## Hydrogen Update

- The UK Government is firmly committed to establishing a thriving hydrogen sector in the UK.
- In 2025, the Government confirmed over **£500m support for hydrogen infrastructure**. This will enable the development of the first regional hydrogen transport and storage network, which will connect producers with vital end users – such as power and industry – for the first time.
- We are working to **publish a renewed UK Hydrogen Strategy, alongside a package of other hydrogen policy documents**, as soon as possible.
- Last week, DESNZ and GBE announced a **funding package to land ITM Power's hydrogen electrolyser manufacturing expansion in Sheffield**. The package includes a £40m equity investment by GBE and up to a £46.5m DESNZ grant, subject to subsidy control scrutiny, final approvals, and completion of a Grant Funding Agreement.





## Hydrogen will play a key role in meeting net zero



Hydrogen will be needed to decarbonise certain subsectors of the economy which have no or few viable alternatives.



Hydrogen is key to UK energy security and resilience in the power system, given its potential to store energy.



Hydrogen is uniquely placed to decarbonise heavy industry and replace fossil fuels in UK manufacturing.

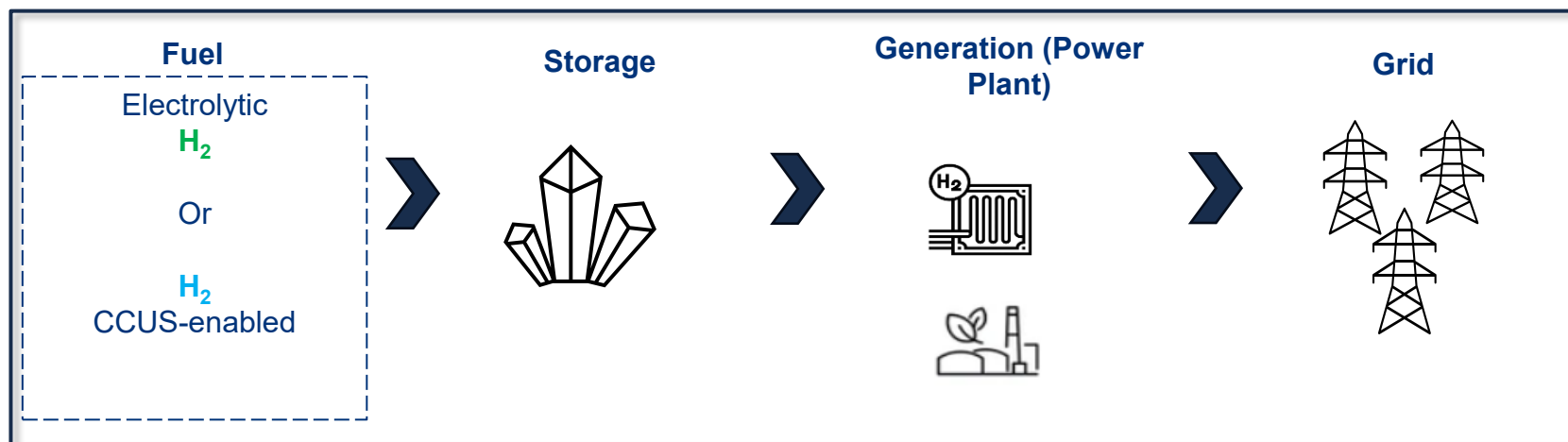


Hydrogen is the leading option to decarbonise heavy transport, including shipping and aviation.



# Hydrogen's role in UK Government's Clean Power Mission

- Hydrogen can play a key role in UK Government's Clean Energy Superpower mission. Transitioning to a renewables-based clean power system will require low carbon technologies capable of ultra long-duration generation to cover extended periods of low renewable output.
- Hydrogen to power (H2P) can deploy at a range of scales, providing a decarbonisation pathway for unabated gas generation, and when connected to large-scale hydrogen storage, is one of very few technologies which can deliver ultra-long duration low carbon generation.
- H2P is expected to be a key demand sector for the future hydrogen economy and will be reliant on enabling hydrogen infrastructure, especially storage, to operate flexibly and support the power system.
- Electrolytic hydrogen production is expected to be able to operate flexibly to make effective use of 'curtailed' electricity to support efficient power system operation.





# Hydrogen to Power Business Model

Government is developing a hydrogen to power business model (H2PBM) to de-risk investment and mitigating identified deployment barriers for H2P to accelerate deployment.

The H2PBM will be based on the Dispatchable Power Agreement developed for pCCUS.



## Clean Power Mission

Delivering and maintaining a Clean Power System is one of the Prime Minister's five national missions.



## Hydrogen to Power

The 2024 Clean Power Action Plan outlined how H2P can provide low carbon dispatchable generation at a range of scales to support a clean and secure power system.



## H2PBM will de-risk investment and enable the accelerated deployment of H2P

The H2PBM will mitigate our identified H2P deployment risks of higher FOAK costs and "cross chain risks" from a nascent hydrogen economy.

***"The purpose of the H2PBM is to de-risk investment in H2P, accelerating deployment of the technology and supporting a secure, cost effective and clean power system"***



# Delivering Hydrogen to Power

- DESNZ is finalising H2PBM eligibility criteria proposals. We informally engaged industry in December on the potential eligibility criteria, and we are reviewing stakeholder feedback.
- We intend to publish formal eligibility criteria proposals alongside an Expression of Interest for potential H2P projects soon.
- Intend to publish a H2PBM 'Commercial Update' later this year outlining the proposed payment design. DESNZ is working with Cornwall Insights to support development of payment design options. ~
- We intend to take new primary powers to ensure the Hydrogen to Power Business Model addresses the unique challenges H2P faces as a First of a Kind (FOAK) technology and that it can integrate into the wider hydrogen value chain. We intend to legislate when parliamentary time allows.
- We aim publish the Hydrogen Strategy and to progress to the Invite to Offer stage of HAR2 awards as soon as possible, and aim to both award those contracts and launch HAR3 in 2026 with a more streamlined process shaped by industry feedback.
- We are also progressing the design of the hydrogen transport and storage business models and the first allocation round at pace.



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# Hydrogen's Role in the Future Energy System

April 2026

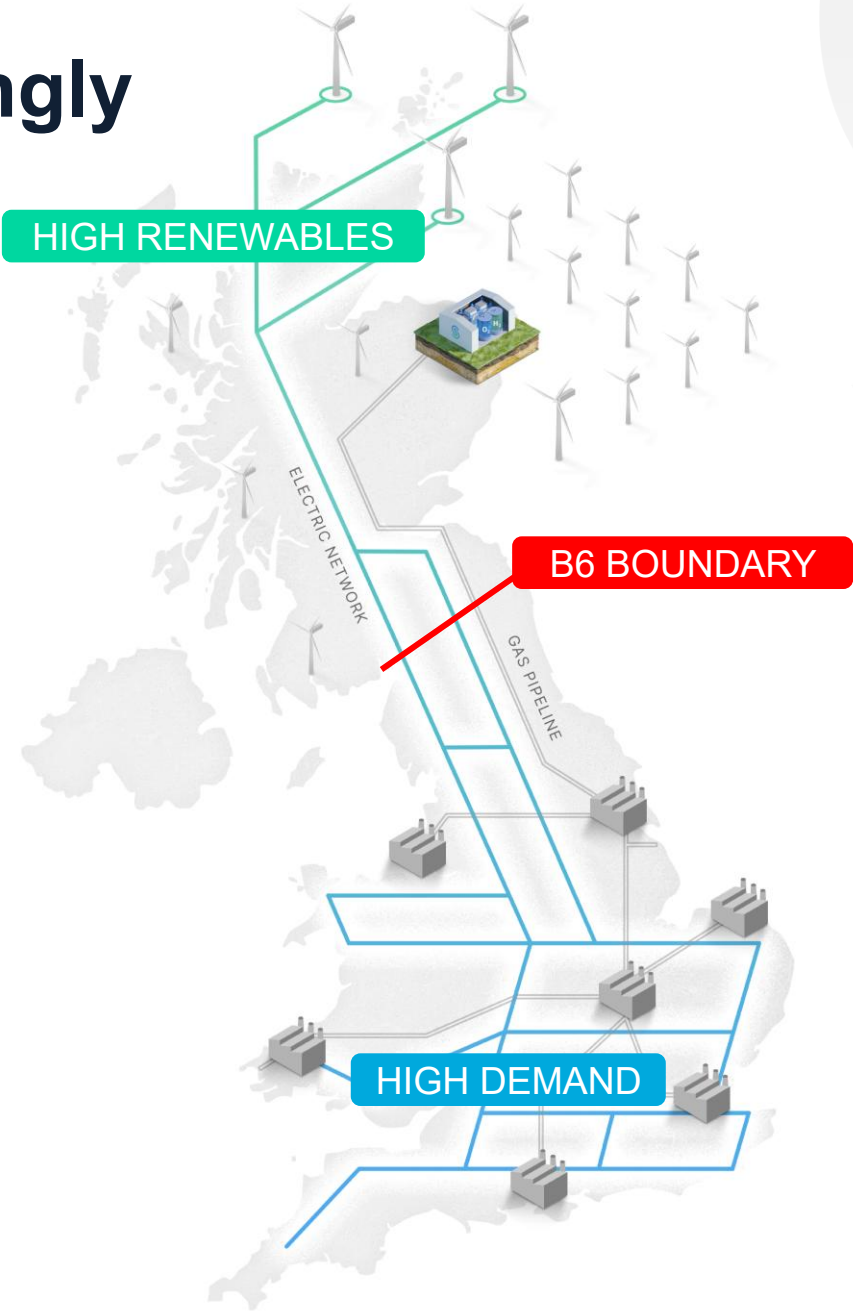
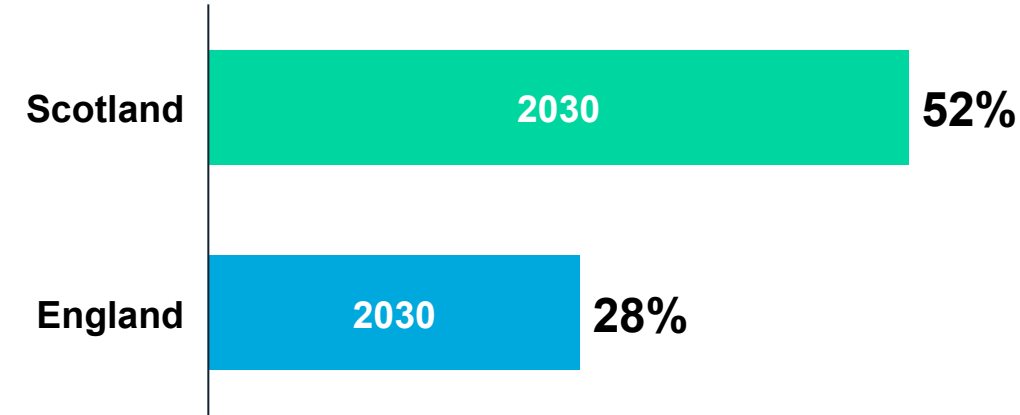


# Renewable power will increasingly be wasted in Scotland

## The Challenge

- Energy supply and demand are far apart
- Network capacity is not sufficient
- High cost to balance the system

## Percentage of zero priced hours, 2030



# Alternative 1: More demand in Scotland

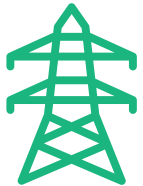
The best alternative to hydrogen to manage excess renewables in Scotland is having more demand – but only if it is flexible demand.

## Pros

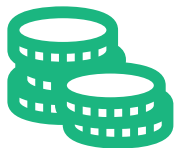
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Keeps energy local



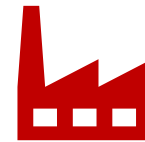
Avoids curtailment and network build



Strengthens local economies

## Cons

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Most demand is inflexible (industry, housing, data centres)



Fixed demand can increase constraints at the wrong time



Limited ability to scale within the 2030s

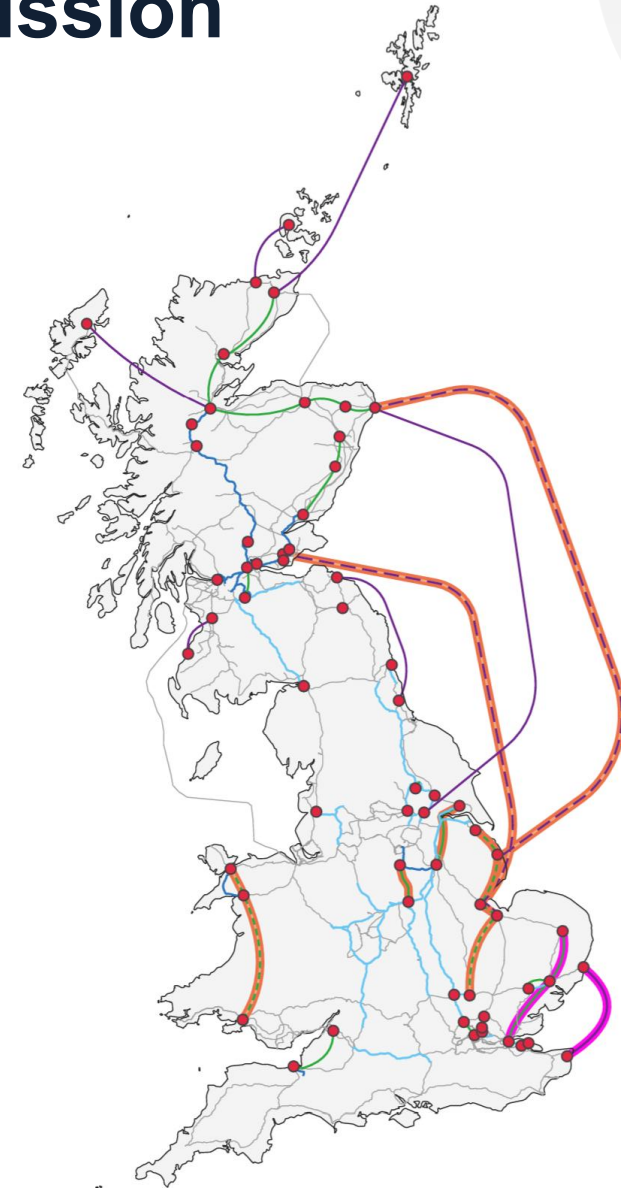
# Alternative 2: More electricity transmission network

## Transmission is capital-intensive and slow to deliver

- Map of 2030 transmission network reinforcements for CP2030 represents **£60bn of investment**
- Orange dashes lines represent reinforcements required for CP2030, but **current delivery date estimates are after 2030**

## Indicative economics

- Cost of a new HVDC cable is **more than £3bn**
- Low utilisation and very high cost per MWh moved suggests alternatives could have significant value



# Alternative 3: More Long Duration Energy Storage

LDES helps — but the volume and duration of oversupply means even 20+ hour storage is not enough.

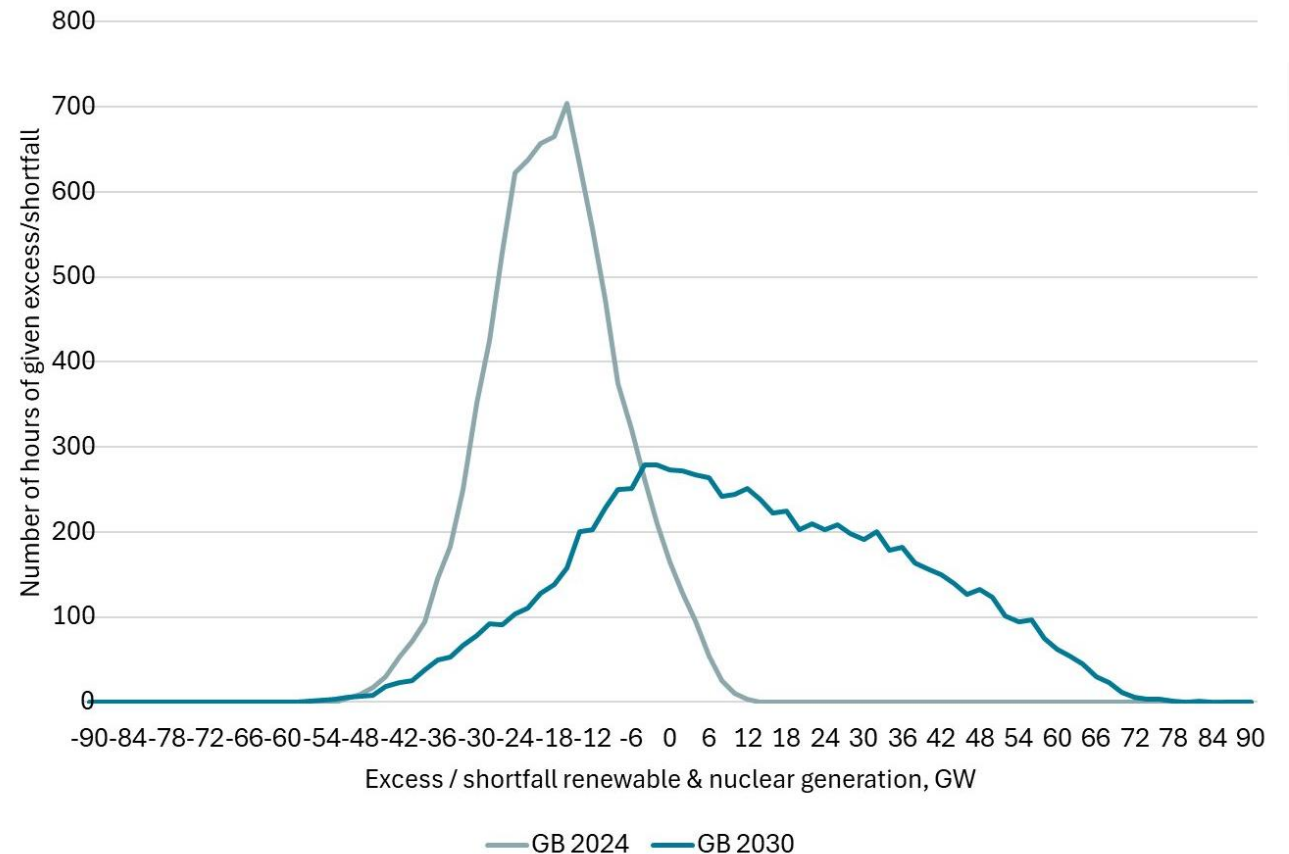
## What LDES can do

- ✓ Shift energy across hours or a day
- ✓ Provide system resilience.
- ✓ Valuable firming asset

## Limitations

- ✗ Typical durations: ~8–30 hours
- ✗ Insufficient for multi-day oversupply
- ✗ Scale required becomes prohibitive

**Hours of excess renewable generation: 2024 vs 2030**



# Kintore Hydrogen

Kintore Hydrogen is a proposed 3GW green hydrogen electrolyser facility in Aberdeenshire, with a first phase of up to 500MW.

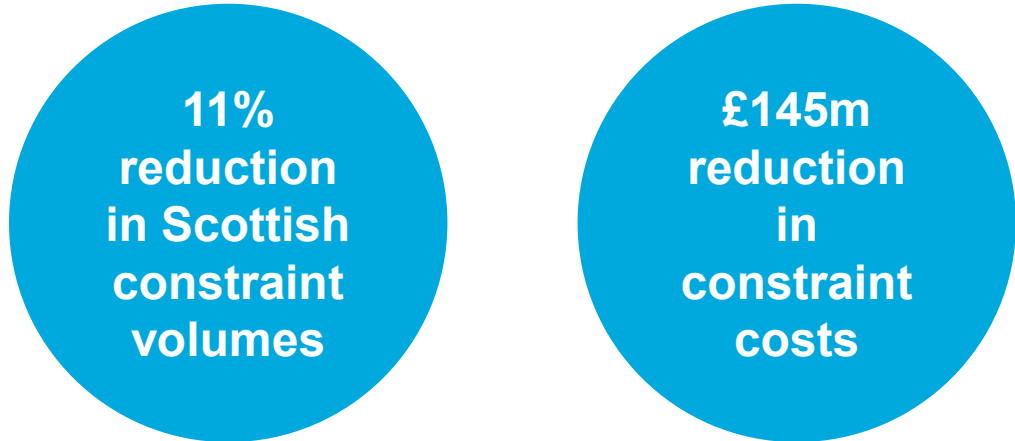


# Blending is a low-regrets option that cuts curtailment

Kintore, at 500MW electrolyser in Scotland would reduce constraint costs by £145m and volumes by 2.1TWh in 2030

## Blending benefits of a 500MW electrolyser, 2030

## Gas cost savings from blending, 2030

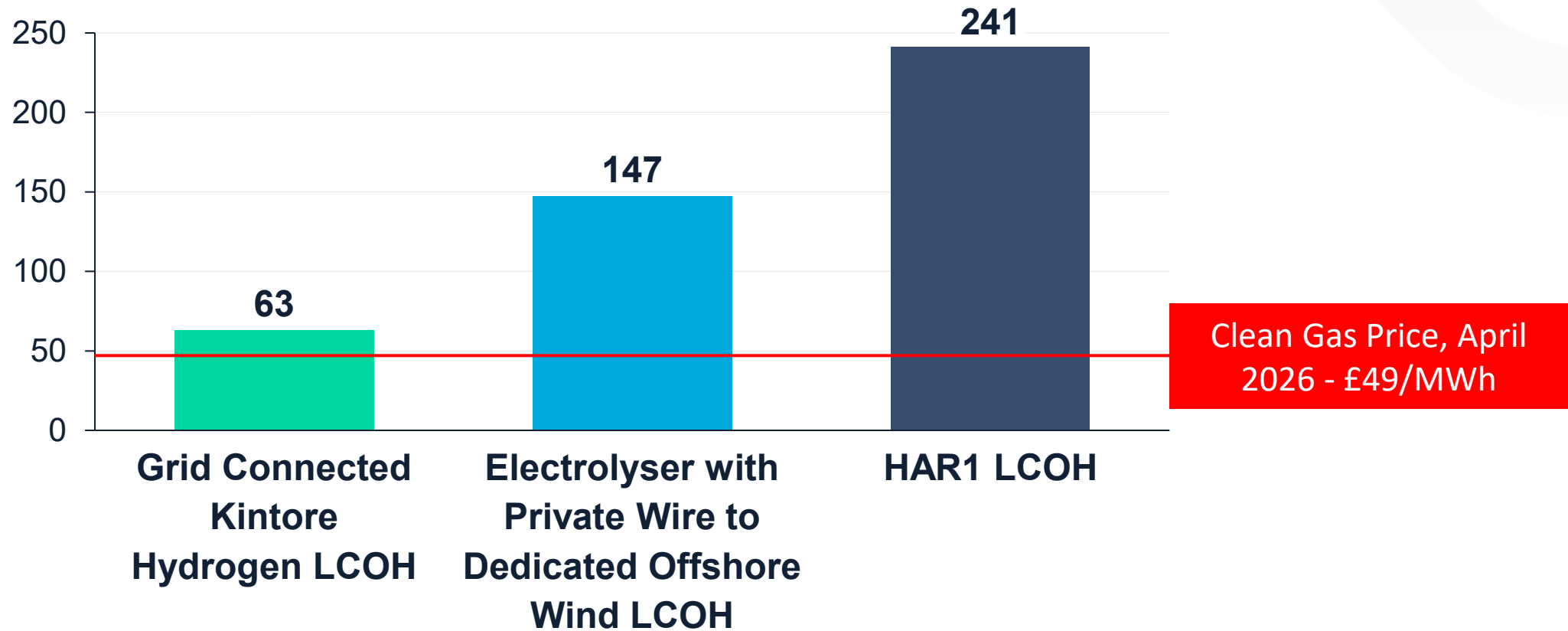


Gas replaced by hydrogen	2TWh
Gas cost savings (wholesale)	£80m
Gas cost savings incl. ETS price	£134m
Gas cost saving incl. social value for carbon	£220m

# Hydrogen is cheapest where power is constrained

Grid-connected electrolysis in Scotland is lowest cost and only grid connected projects reduce curtailment.

## Levelised Cost of Hydrogen (£/MWh)



# Policy ask: transmission blend

## Blending targets the right problem

Uses surplus power behind constraints, only in periods of oversupply

Reduces both curtailment and H2 production costs

Creates jobs and growth in Scotland

## Immediate solution that paves the way for the future system

It uses existing infrastructure with no need for new pylons

Hydrogen production can locate strategically

Avoids locking in higher-cost solutions





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## Conference Theme

# Driving Human Progress and Global Growth

# History of the International Gas Union - Over 90 years of Gas advocacy

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Tokyo, 2003



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# History of the International Gas Union - Over 90 years of Gas advocacy

## International Gas Union

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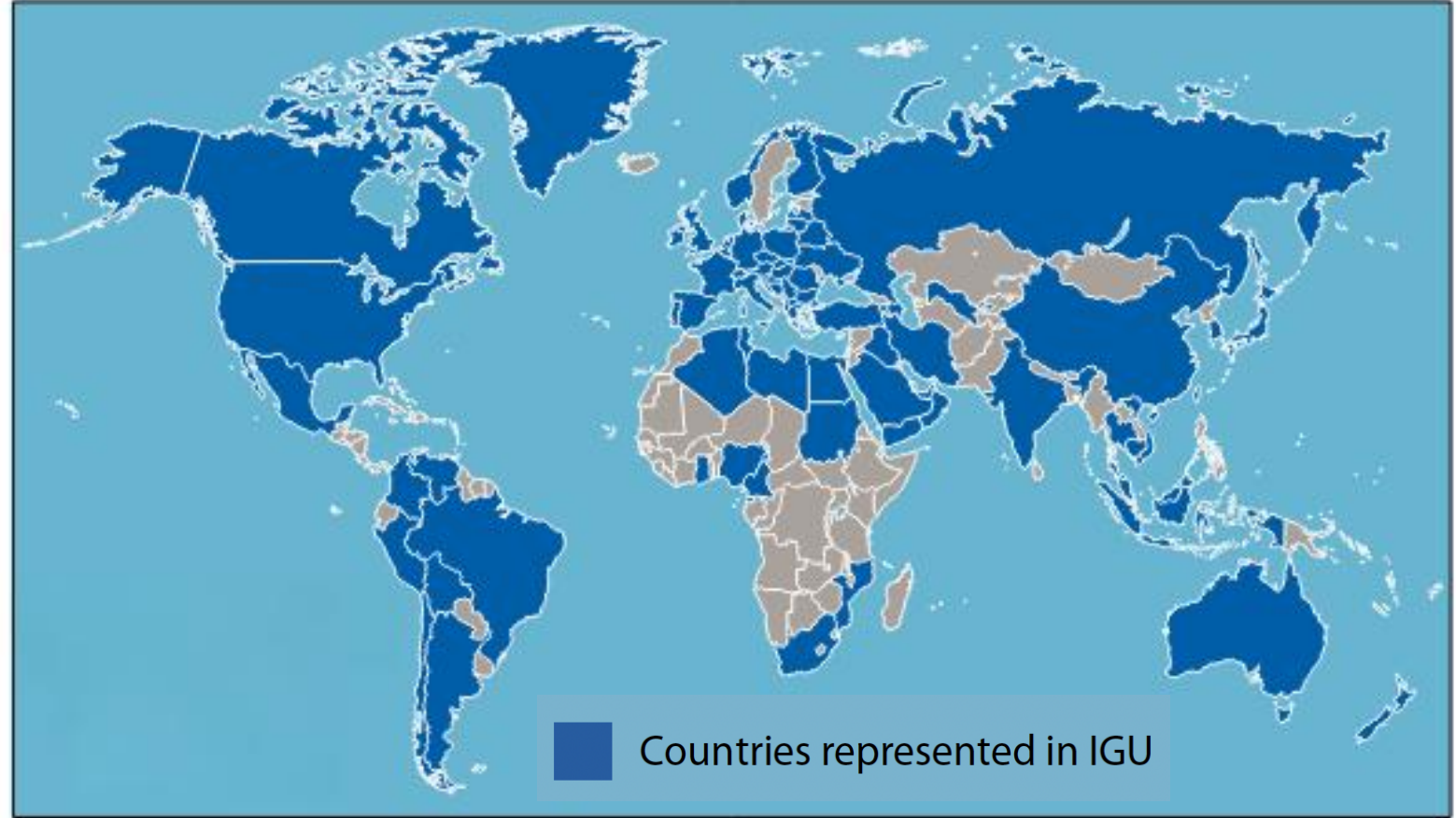
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- Gas professionals



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## Why attend?

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- Gain insights into energy evolution/addition and global Gas markets
- Discover cutting-edge innovations
- Engage in high-level strategic discussions



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## Exhibition

- Lodgement of Booth Expression of Interest form
  - Up to 5 preferred locations
  - Notation of preferred dimensions
  - Desired adjacencies
- Return to exhibition organiser
  - [Jason.Berman@wgc2028.com](mailto:Jason.Berman@wgc2028.com)
- Offers will outline location, pricing, and payment terms
- Planned Site Briefings
  - May 2027 & November 2027

## Sponsorship

- Designed to provide bespoke customisation to sponsor's preference
  - Credit framework will return
  - Expect new elements, broadening choice.
- **Official launch will be May 2026**

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# Thank you for attending!

We look forward to seeing  
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