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Recent public opinion

Sweden: 65% of Swedes **against shutting down** more NPPs early according to latest poll.

<http://www.thelocal.se/article.php?ID=2594&date=20051129>

UK: Nuclear energy development is supported by as much as **62%** of the U.K. population

<http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=10000102&sid=a9Ut15AtuxEY&refer=uk>

NUCLEAR POLICY

U.K.: Government pledges decision on nuclear power by Mid-2006

<http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=10000085&sid=aHu2hkZk1Dz8&refer=europe>

Nigeria: The Nigerian Minister of Science and Technology has expressed the **government's commitment to begin utilizing nuclear energy**, working closely together with the IAEA.
<http://allafrica.com/stories/200511300500.html>

URANIUM

China: A weary China **warns Australia** on the **price of uranium**.

http://www.thecouriermail.news.com.au/common/story_page/0,5936,17431573%255E462,00.html

<http://www.forbes.com/home/feeds/afx/2005/12/01/afx2364761.html>

REACTORS, NPPs, UTILITIES

US: NRC renews Millstone license for 20 years

<http://www.neimagazine.com/story.asp?sectioncode=132&storyCode=2032864>

NUCLEAR INDUSTRY

Japan: The country's **54th nuclear unit** to **start** commercial operation **next week**. Nuclear power plants **today** generate about **30 percent of the electricity** used and the government plans to raise that to **40 percent by 2010** by installing new units.

<http://www.alertnet.org/thenews/newsdesk/T276965.htm>

China: A **final decision** on which foreign companies will be invited to build four third-generation nuclear reactors in Zhejiang and Guangdong provinces might be **postponed until the first half of 2006**. Areva, Westinghouse, AtomStroyExport.

http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/english/doc/2005-12/02/content_499857.htm

STORAGE AND WASTE

CZ: The Czech Ministry of the Environment has approved the construction of an **intermediate storage facility for spent nuclear fuel** on the premises of the **Temelin** nuclear power plant by 2014

http://www.ceskenoviny.cz/news/index_view.php?id=160123

MISCELLANEOUS

WNA: Nuclear power now the **lowest-cost electricity-generating technology**, new World Nuclear Association analysis shows

<http://www.world-nuclear.org/economics.pdf>

AND FINALLY THIS

Journalism: Shipment from France to Russian Federation of depleted uranium intended for enrichment blocked by Greenpeace. **Various takes:**

<http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=10000085&sid=amDLrq8jcPMk&refer=europe>

<http://www.webwire.com/ViewPressRel.asp?aId=6298>

<http://en.rian.ru/russia/20051201/42283879.html>

<http://www.alertnet.org/thenews/newsdesk/L01527232.htm>

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