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Minister Visits New Power Station Site

Minister for Energy, the Hon Dr John Cortes, last week visited the ongoing works at the site of the new power station at the North Mole.

The Minister was accompanied by the CEO of the Gibraltar Electricity Authority (GEA), Manolo Alecio, as well as by Michael Caetano of GEA, the Government's Chief Technical Officer, Hector Montado, and GEA Board member (and former City Electrical Engineer), Tony Aguilera. They were shown round the site by Jean-Franciois Conci of Bouygues, the firm awarded the tender for the power station, who gave a summary of work so far and the project as a whole.

Most of the piling is now complete and construction of the separate chambers that will house the new engines is well underway.

Dr Cortes said: "We were all pleased to see the work progressing well on what is clearly a very well run operation. I was particularly impressed at the safety elements being introduced, including the highly reinforced walls on the separate chambers for each of the six engines. It's an exciting project that will be of tremendous benefit to Gibraltar".