



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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SPL Powerlines UK delivered the London to Corby electrification project – the largest project of the Powerlines Group to date – safely on time.

SPL Powerlines UK, a 100% subsidiary of Powerlines Group and ENGIE Solutions, is pleased to announce that the London to Corby electrification project for Network Rail has been implemented safely. The successful project implementation proves Powerlines capability as system supplier in railway electrification and the expertise of the group of companies in large scale project management.

Contracted in 2017, London to Corby has been a multi-disciplinary project involving collaborative working with a number of contractors and complex site access and operating arrangements. The £300 million contract covered the electrification of 192 single track km including more than 2300 foundations, 3240 OLE structures, the installation of 8 substations, a total of approx. 900 km of wire (OLE, RSC, fibre, LV/HV) and a total length of steelwork for OLE structures of 38 km as well as 350 design submissions.

ENGIE Solutions and Powerlines Group are working to guarantee more efficient transport system, to increase the attractiveness of public transport, the most environmentally friendly mode of transport. The successful completion of the London to Corby electrification project is a perfect proof.

Martin Hawley, Managing Director of SPL Powerlines UK: "We congratulate Network Rail on the completion of the London to Corby electrification project. We at SPL Powerlines UK are very pleased that we were able to contribute to this success."

Steve McWhan, SPL Powerlines UK Eastern Director: "The success of the L2C project was down to the teams ethics, collaboration between our client, contractors and a singular vision of becoming industry leaders. Utilising lessons learnt from previous projects, safe delivery, innovation and pushing boundaries of engineering allowed us to see our vision become reality."

Gerhard Ehringer, CEO of Powerlines Group: "The London to Corby project is the largest railway electrification project Powerlines Group has implemented to date. The successful project implementation is an important milestone for Powerlines Group and our UK subsidiary SPL Powerlines UK. With our strong focus on delivery and our experience in large-scale project management, in the UK and abroad, we are well positioned for future large railway electrification project tenders. Reliability towards our customers and efficiency in project management are two of our key values, that is what we at Powerlines stand for."





## **About Powerlines Group**

The Powerlines Group is one of Europe's leading providers in the electrification of local mass transit and mainline rail infrastructure as well as a long-standing, reliable partner in the construction of energy transmission infrastructure in Germanspeaking countries. With its comprehensive range of services in the RAIL, ENERGY and PRODUCTS business segments, the Powerlines Group provides its international customers with sustainable and reliable solutions for their energy challenges. The electrification of public transport systems is the basis of decarbonisation and thus the reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in transport. The construction and expansion of energy transmission infrastructure is paving the way for the energy transition.

Headquartered in Lower Austria with local subsidiaries in Central and Northern Europe, the Powerlines Group employs more than 1,100 people and generated a turnover of more than EUR 300 million in the 2019/20 business year. SPL Powerlines UK is one of the leading rail electrification businesses in the UK. SPL Powerlines UK provides OLE capabilities, its service portfolio spans the complete implementation of entire complex projects — including design, project management, isolations, installation and maintenance, commissioning and labour resource of rail personnel.

Via its subsidiary ENGIE Solutions, Powerlines is a company of the French ENGIE Group - a global provider of low  $CO_2$ -emission energy and services. In response to the urgent challenges posed by climate change, ENGIE intends to play a pioneering global role in the reduction of  $CO_2$  emissions and to become the world leader in the transition to carbon neutrality.

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## **About ENGIE Solutions**

ENGIE Solutions supports towns, industries and companies in the tertiary sector, providing them with solutions to the challenges posed by the energy transition in the form of turnkey and bespoke packages.

ENGIE Solutions' experts apply all their expertise in pursuit of three aims: optimising the use of energy and resources, greening energies and reinventing living and working environments.

ENGIE Solutions guarantees its clients a single point of contact and a combination of complementary offerings that go beyond energy. The company is committed to achieving results and its 50,000 employees which operate throughout France (900 sites) have expertise in an extremely diverse number of areas, ranging from the design and operation of infrastructure & services, to funding, installation and maintenance.

ENGIE Solutions is part of the ENGIE Group, one of the world's leading low-carbon energy and services groups whose purpose is to act to accelerate the transition towards a carbon-neutral world.

Turnover: €10 billion.

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