

# [***CENG's R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant Completes Planned Refueling and Maintenance Outage; Key Generator of Emission-Free Electricity Poised to Continue Safe, Reliable Operations***](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:533G-S0M1-JBG1-848W-00000-00&context=1516831)

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Constellation Energy Nuclear Group, LLCSM (CENGSM), announced today that its R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, located outside of Rochester, NY, safely returned to 100 percent power following the completion of a planned refueling and maintenance outage. The refueling outage began April 23, 2011 and was completed on June 9, 2011.

During the outage, workers performed approximately 128,000 hours of safety inspections and maintenance activities on a variety of plant components and systems. Many of the activities performed during the outage cannot be accomplished while the unit is operational, and all are designed to ensure the continued safe, efficient and reliable production of electricity.

"We safely completed a complex refueling outage which will further enhance safe operations and reliability during Ginna's operating cycle," said John Carlin, Vice President, R.E. Ginna. "The team's commitment to excellence was instrumental to our success. We received the support of more than 600 workers from throughout New York and beyond as well as from our other CENG stations in New York and Maryland."

Ginna is on an 18-month refueling cycle. Efficiently completing the necessary work and safely completing longer operating cycles helps consumers by optimizing nuclear energy's benefits as a reliable source of ***emissions***-free electricity.

CENG's five nuclear reactors at three power stations continue to set high standards in safety efficiency and reliability in the generation of electricity. CENG had an average capability factor of 94.2 percent in 2010, the seventh consecutive year its capability factor exceeded 93 percent.Capability factor measures how much electricity is produced, compared with the amount of electricity a unit is capable of producing, within a given period of time.

CENG owns R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, which is located in Ontario, NY. The station's nuclear energy unit can produce a total of more than 580 megawatts at full power - enough electricity to power more than 500,000 homes.

*About Constellation Energy Nuclear Group (CENG)*

*CENG (a joint venture of Constellation Energy Group, Inc. (NYSE: CEG) and EDF Group, SA) based in Baltimore, Maryland, is a leading producer of safe and reliable nuclear power. The company owns and operates five nuclear reactors at three sites in New York and Maryland. CENG's core values are nuclear and personal safety. Nuclear energy accounts for more than 20 percent of U.S. produced electricity, powering one in five homes and businesses across the country. It produces no greenhouse gases and is America's largest source of carbon-free, reliable electricity.*

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