

Press release

RWE power stations affected by incident near substation; first power plant units expected to be reconnected to grid later today

- **4,200 megawatts (MW) of power station capacity in Rhenish lignite area taken off grid**
- **Five power station units affected by incident; two expected to be reconnected to grid in course of this morning, with another due to follow later today**
- **Work underway to bring two remaining power station units back online**

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At around 8.00 pm yesterday evening, an incident occurred in the vicinity of an Amprion substation, as a result of which a total of five RWE lignite-fired power plant units in the Rhenish lignite area, with a combined capacity of 4,200 megawatts (MW), were taken off the grid. At the time, the units were feeding around 3,000 MW of power into the grid. The units affected were Neurath G and F, as well as Niederaußem H, G and K.

The Neurath G and Niederaußem H units, with a combined capacity of around 1,600 MW, are expected to be reconnected to the grid in the course of this morning. The Neurath F unit (1,000 MW) is expected to follow later today. The Niederaußem G and K units (totalling around 1,600 MW) are expected to be brought back online by the coming weekend.

RWE Power is in contact with the relevant authorities and the transmission system operator Amprion.

RWE Power will provide an update as soon as there are any new developments.

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