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CIEG team generate bronze in Virgin's Challenger World Triathlon at first attempt

A team from Jersey and Guernsey Electricity, with a combined age of 132, finished an amazing third out of an international field of 157 corporate teams in the world's largest triathlon event in London's Docklands at the weekend, raising £600 for the charity Headway in the process.

JE Chief Engineer John Duquemin and Management Accountant Andy Kemp joined GE Distribution Manager Neil Mahy to represent the Channel Islands Electricity Grid (CIEG) as team Channel Islands Renewables in the Challenger World 2011 Virgin Active London Triathlon.

The event attracted around 14,000 competitors. Many, like the CIEG team, took one discipline each from swimming, cycling and running, while others competed in all three. They were even joined in the waters of Royal Victoria Dock by billionaire sponsor Sir Richard Branson, head of the Virgin empire.

John, competing in his first triathlon season at the age of 50, got the CI Renewables off a great start with a powerful 750m swim which took them well up the field as he entered the transition in the ExCeL centre to hand over to 45-year-old Andy for the 20km bike section on the roads around ExCeL.

Andy, who now coaches in the sport, put the team within the top five before handing over to Neil, 37, for the 5.4km run. Neil completed this year's London Marathon in an impressive 3hrs 02mins and finished second fastest over the two-lap course to secure the team third and a podium finish at their first attempt.

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The team also finished third out of 452 sprint distance teams. And if that was not enough energy expended from the CIEG team for one weekend, John went on to complete his first Olympic-distance triathlon on the Sunday. He completed a 1,500m swim, a 40km bike race and 10km run in 2hrs 29mins, despite a fall in the bike section, to finish 258th overall but eighth in his age group.

He said: 'The team event on Saturday over the sprint distances was incredible. There were over 50,000 spectators. Our success in finishing third is remarkable considering the quality and experience of the field. It shows yet again how Jersey and Guernsey Electricity can form successful partnerships in business and pleasure for the good of both our companies and islands.

'On the Sunday, I was thrilled to come eighth in my age group but the First Aiders were on hand to help me at the end as I was a bit bloodied after the bike fall which must have cost me a couple of minutes!'

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Caption: Live wires: the CIEG team of (l to r) John Duquemin, Neil Mahy, and Andy Kemp

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Notes to editors:

Jersey Electricity plc is the sole supplier of electricity in the Island of Jersey, serving more than 40,000 households and 7,000 businesses. Providing affordable, secure and sustainable energy is the Company's core objective.

Around 95% of the energy supplied is imported from EDF in France. The majority of this power is supplied from low carbon forms of generation, in particular nuclear and hydro power as well as other renewables. On-Island generation remains in place at La Collette Power Station primarily for strategic security of supply and to manage import costs when necessary. Since 2011 Jersey Electricity has also sourced power from the States-owned Energy from Waste (EfW) plant situated alongside the power station. Jersey Electricity also provides services to the EfW plant such as access to the chimney and cooling water.

Sustainability, in every sense of the word, is at the core of Jersey Electricity's business. An important aspect of this is reducing its environmental impact. Low carbon imported electricity has helped Jersey cut its overall carbon emissions by a third in 20 years despite demand for electricity increasing by 40% over the same period.

Jersey Electricity will be investing £150million in infrastructure over the next 10 years, a 50% increase over the £100m invested in the last 10 years. A major portion of this is allocated to a seven-year project to lay a third undersea cable to France.

Jersey Electricity plc's non-energy business interests include Retail, Property, IT and Building Services. First established in 1924, the Company is owned by more than 300 shareholders, with the States of Jersey holding the major 62% of shares.