

French Guiana methanol storage

Will a green spaceport save French Guiana's electricity grid?

Teddy Peponnet, ESA's European Spaceport Infrastructure & Renewable Energy Project Manager, says: "Investment in green hydrogen production at the Spaceport will cut costs, reduce exposure to rising fossil fuel prices and take a load off French Guiana's electricity grid.

When will a Guyanese power plant be injected into the grid?

It will be injected into the Guyanese electricity grid and its production will be governed by a 25-year capacity contract with French utility EDF. The construction work will start on September 30 and the commissioning is scheduled for April 2024.

What is methanol steam reforming?

Key to the scheme is to replace "grey" hydrogen - produced by a widely used but CO₂-intensive industrial process known as methanol steam reforming - with "green" hydrogen produced by water electrolysis from renewable energy.

The industry is growing because using renewable methanol as an energy carrier allows for the chemical storage of excess renewable energy for later use. By taking the place of traditional ...

Geismar 3 ("G3") produced first methanol in July 2024 and has since passed its commercial and technical performance tests. During the third quarter, as the plant was being brought to full ...

Meridiam is partnering with Hydrogène de France (HDF) - a French company specialized in the development of hydrogen storage solutions - and the SARA - a French company specialized in the distribution of petroleum in French Guiana ...

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