

Warning over 'green ceiling' on renewable electricity

A SCOTTISH power storage company has warned a "green ceiling" is being reached in renewable energy generation.

It wants the UK Government to put a new power system at the heart of its strategy to meet the challenge of secure, low-carbon electricity supply.

Pumped Storage Hydro allows the National Grid to store energy that cannot be absorbed naturally by consumers during times of peak wind or solar generation.

Hamilton-based ILI Group has more than 2GW of Pump-storage Hydro in the pipeline.

The latest onshore wind power generation figures for the first six months of 2019 show enough electricity generated to power 4.47 million homes, double the number in Scotland.

Chief executive Mark Wilson said the figures "reflect the scale of delivery by Scottish onshore wind", but added: "They can also be misleading since there is currently a 'green ceiling' to the amount of renewable generation the power network can accommodate.