

Press release

Nordex scoring with new solutions for light wind locations

ABO Wind ordering 13 N117/2400 turbines on 141-metre towers

Hamburg, 24 January 2012. Wind turbine manufacturer Nordex has been awarded a contract by project developer ABO Wind for the construction of a further two wind farms with a total of 13 N117/2400 on-shore turbines. Located in the German regions of Central Hesse and Franconia, the planned farms will be going on grid this year after the project finance has been finalised. With two wind farms already under construction and also located in Central Hesse and Franconia, the project volume being jointly executed by Nordex and ABO Wind will thus rise to 51.2 megawatts this year.

In awarding these contracts, ABO Wind has opted for solutions which Nordex has specifically developed for regions characterised by lighter winds. The project comprises eight N100/2500 and 13 N117/2400 turbines, which with rotor blades measuring almost 60 metres are amongst the most efficient in their class. As part of the wind farms will be located in forests, hybrid towers with an above-average height of 141 meters are being used in all projects to optimise energy yield.

“Germany is of crucial importance for Nordex as our home market is stable and continuing to grow. What is more, the fact that our long-standing customer ABO Wind has opted in favour of the new light wind systems marks a key success,” says Lars Bondo Krogsgaard, CCO at Nordex SE. Over the past few years, Nordex has also installed numerous wind farms for ABO Wind in France, Ireland and the United Kingdom. “We are currently seeing growing interest in additions to wind power in the southern half of Germany in particular,” reports Dr. Jochen Ahn, a member of ABO Wind AG’s management board. “Wind turbines such as the N100 and the N117, which also achieve high yields in non-coastal locations, are helping to spur the success of the new energy policy.”

About Nordex

As one of the technological leaders in multi-megawatt wind power systems, Nordex is benefiting from the trend in favour of large-scale turbines. The range comprises one of the world’s largest series-produced wind power systems (N80/2500, N90/2500, N100/2500, N117/2400). To date, over 1,700 turbines of this type have been installed around the world. This experience with multi-megawatt turbines gives Nordex a decisive lead over most of its competitors. Nordex has installed a total of around 4,700 turbines with an aggregate capacity of more than 7,100 MW all around the world. With exports accounting for more than 90 percent of its business, Nordex SE plays a key role in international high-growth regions. The Company has offices and subsidiaries in 19 countries around the world with a total global headcount of over 2,600 employees.

About ABO Wind

ABO Wind is successfully developing wind farms in seven European countries as well as in Argentina and Uruguay. 185 employees work on projects, organising the acquisition of the land, applications for building

permits and finance as well as handling ongoing technical and commercial operations management. ABO Wind has installed a good 300 wind power systems with a capacity of 550 megawatts since 1996. Initiated by ABO Wind, the listed company ABO Invest AG (WKN: A1EWXA) operates an international portfolio of European wind farms.

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