



PRESS RELEASE

Wind: AREVA commissions first offshore project in Germany

Paris, December 16th, 2009

AREVA, via its German subsidiary Multibrid, has successfully installed and commissioned the first six M5000 turbines for the Alpha Ventus project, the first German offshore wind park located in the North Sea, 45 kilometers off the island of Borkum. The group is creating a reference in the offshore wind industry with its 5 MW turbines specially designed for offshore conditions.

This major achievement demonstrates the technical feasibility of AREVA's M5000 turbine design and confirms the relevance of the associated installation and servicing activities carried out by the group.

Under the terms of the contract signed with *DOT**, the six turbines have now entered the test phase scheduled to end this winter.

The turbines have already generated around 30 million kWh since commissioning. During the second half of November, they ran at full load i.e. 30 MW thanks to the excellent wind conditions and generated nearly 10 million kWh with an availability of more than 99%.

"This pioneering project will have a dynamic impact on the European offshore wind power market and position AREVA to become a major supplier of state-of-the-art offshore wind turbines. Our operating experience will help set the standards for the offshore wind industry, thereby facilitating project bankability for our customers", emphasized Anil Srivastava, CEO of AREVA Renewables.

* *Deutsche Offshore Testfeld und Infrastrukturgesellschaft, comprising E.ON, Vattenfall and EWE as shareholders*



Press Office

Patricia Marie
Julien Duperray
Pauline Briand
Fleur Floquet-Daubigeon
T: +33 (0) 1 34 96 12 15
F: +33 (0) 1 34 96 16 54
press@areva.com

Investor relations

Isabelle Coupey
isabelle.coupey@areva.com
T: +33 (0) 1 34 96 14 85

Marie de Scorbiac
marie.descorbiac@areva.com
T: +33 (0) 1 34 96 05 97

MORE ABOUT

All over the world, AREVA provides its customers with solutions for carbon-free power generation and electricity transmission. With its knowledge and expertise in these fields, the group has a leading role to play in meeting the world's energy needs.

Ranked first in the global nuclear power industry, AREVA's unique integrated offering covers every stage of the fuel cycle, reactor design and construction, and related services.

In addition, the group is developing a portfolio of operations in renewable energies. AREVA is also a world leader in electricity transmission and distribution and offers its customers a complete range of solutions for greater grid stability and energy efficiency.

Sustainable development is a core component of the group's industrial strategy. Its 75,000 employees work every day to make AREVA a responsible industrial player that is helping to supply ever cleaner, safer and more economical energy to the greatest number of people.