Siemens Canada awarded order for 150-MW Grand Renewable Wind Project in Ontario

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Blades to be produced at Siemens’ Tillsonburg manufacturing facility

Siemens Canada has received an order from Samsung Renewable Energy, Inc. (Samsung) and Pattern Energy Group LP (Pattern Development) for the Grand Renewable Wind Project. Located in the County of Haldimand in southern Ontario, the Grand Renewable Energy Park will consist of 100 MW of solar power and 150 MW of wind power. Under the agreement, Siemens will supply, deliver and commission sixty-seven (67) SWT-2.3-101 wind turbines. The deal also includes a three-year service and maintenance agreement.

All of the 49-metre wind turbine blades for the project will be manufactured at the Siemens facility in Tillsonburg, Ontario, where blade production is currently running near capacity with close to 275 employees. Towers and steel for the turbines will be sourced from CS Wind in Windsor and Essar in Sault Ste. Marie as part of the commitment to the green energy economy in the Province of Ontario. Deliveries to the project will begin in January 2014 and commercial operation at the Grand Renewable Energy Park is expected to begin by fall of next year.

The Grand Renewable Wind Project is the second Samsung and Pattern Development project in Ontario under the Green Energy Investment Agreement for which Siemens Canada has been selected to supply and commission wind turbines. Earlier this year Siemens was awarded a 270-MW order for the South Kent Wind project in Chatham-Kent. Turbine blades for that project began shipping to the site in July 2013 with the start of operation expected for spring 2014.

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“Siemens is proud to be a partner in the Grand Renewable Wind project as it represents a significant contribution of the Green Energy Act and Green Energy Investment Agreement to establishing and maintaining a green collar manufacturing and service economy in the Province of Ontario.”
- Jacob Andersen, Vice President, Wind Power, Siemens Canada

“This project is part of Ontario’s commitment to build a clean, modern, reliable electricity system, while supporting good jobs in our renewable energy sector.”
- The Honourable Bob Chiarelli, Ontario Minister of Energy

“Samsung believes that renewable energy is a very important part of eliminating our dependence on dirty coal production and protecting the air that we breathe. We are very pleased that our investments are helping to create over 9,000 total jobs in communities across Ontario that have been hit hard by the global recession.”
- Ki-Jung Kim, Executive Vice President, Samsung C&T

“We are proud to use Ontario-made turbines from Siemens in the Grand Renewable Wind project, which is one of four wind projects we are building with locally-manufactured turbines. These four new wind projects are bringing many benefits to Ontario, including new jobs, tax revenue, economic stimulus, and clean power.”
- Mike Garland, CEO, Pattern Development

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