Siemens hits 10-GW installed wind capacity milestone in the Americas

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Siemens wind turbines have capacity to power three million average households – approximately the number of households in New York City.

Siemens Energy has reached the significant milestone of 10 gigawatts (GW) of installed wind power capacity in the Americas. Siemens has installed more than 5,600 wind turbines in Canada, the USA and South America, including Peru, Chile and Brazil. This capacity is enough to supply clean, renewable power to approximately three million average households.

Siemens reached the 10-GW installation milestone with the commissioning of the 38th wind turbine at the South Kent wind power project in Ontario, Canada, in late April 2014. With a rating of 270 megawatts, South Kent is one of the largest wind projects in Canada.

“The wind industry has experienced tremendous growth over the last decade, and Siemens is proud of the confidence our customers have shown in our technology and our service capabilities. As a result, we have been able to invest significantly in the Americas in order to service key wind markets such as the U.S. and Canada,” says Mark Albenze, CEO of Siemens Energy’s Wind Power Onshore Americas business. “Our factories in the U.S. and Canada allow us to provide wind turbines right where they are needed and also provide the opportunity to export to other regions. We couldn’t have reached this significant milestone without our 1,900 dedicated employees in the Americas and our project partners,” adds Albenze.

"Congratulations to Siemens on this outstanding achievement,” said Mike Garland, CEO of Pattern Energy. "We have a long partnership with Siemens in which we have installed nearly 500 turbines together, with many more to be installed this year at projects in Texas and Ontario, and we look forward to a continued successful relationship.”

Siemens’ wind power business has grown significantly since the Company opened its Americas headquarters for Wind Power in Orlando, Florida, in 2005. In 2006, the Company started producing wind turbine blades at the Siemens Blade Facility in Fort Madison, Iowa. Siemens then opened a nacelle assembly facility in Hutchinson, Kansas, in 2010, which was followed by another blade factory in Tillsonburg, Ontario, Canada in 2011. Additionally, Siemens has invested in Wind Power Service in several locations in the region, including both its Americas headquarters and the new, state-of-the-art wind service training center located in Orlando, Florida, as well as wind service locations in Houston, Texas; Goldendale, Washington; Woodward, Oklahoma; and Chatham, Ontario, Canada.

Wind Power and energy service are part of Siemens’ Environmental Portfolio. Around 43 percent of its total revenue stems from green products and solutions. That makes Siemens one of the world’s leading providers of eco-friendly technology.

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