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### **Vestas opens Massachusetts research hub**

Vestas Technology R&D Americas, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Vestas Wind Systems A/S, the world's largest supplier of wind turbines, has announced the opening of a new research and development hub in the MetroWest region of Boston, Massachusetts. The new hub will develop generators, converters and control technologies for next-generation wind turbines in cooperation with Vestas technology centers in Houston, Asia, India and Europe.

*"Our new Massachusetts technology hub brings together an exceptionally well qualified team of experts in generator and power conversion technology in a region that provides some of the most advanced engineering and science in the world,"* says Finn Strøm Madsen, President of Vestas Technology R&D. *"This new hub is another important step in our global strategy to maintain Vestas' market-leading position as No. 1 in Modern Energy."*

The core team at the new hub joins Vestas from ePower LLC, a Massachusetts business that traces its roots in motor and generator technology back nearly thirty years to M.I.T. *"Governor Patrick and I welcome Vestas to Massachusetts and congratulate them on their acquisition of assets from ePower,"* notes Ian Bowles, Massachusetts Secretary of Energy and Environment. *"The new Vestas Technology hub follows the recent award of a federally-chartered Wind Technology Testing Center in Boston. With a number of public and private research institutions focused on wind and burgeoning innovation in the clean energy sector, Massachusetts is poised to become a national leader in wind technology."*

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