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Vestas celebrates its 10th anniversary in Galicia

On 4 December 2008, Vestas, the world leader in modern energy, will celebrate the 10th anniversary of its production facilities and its presence in Galicia, the second largest autonomous community in Spain in terms of installed wind energy capacity (2,951 MW as per 1 January 2008¹). The celebration will take place at 12.00 a.m. at the production facilities in Viveiro in Lugo, Spain

During the past ten years, the factory in Viveiro has manufactured and delivered nacelles for wind energy projects around the world, including projects in Australia, Canada, Europe, Philippines and the United States.

As Vestas is constantly striving for the highest quality, safety and environmental standards, the Galician factory has been awarded ISO 9001:2000, OHSAS 18001:1999 and ISO 14001:2004 certifications.

Since its establishment in 1998, the number of employees in the factory in Viveiro has increased from 30 to 150. According to the investments plans for the facility announced by Vestas on 11 November 2008 (cf. Local Press Release No. 17/2008 Vestas Mediterranean A/S), during the next two years, Vestas will continue to create local jobs in the region, and the company will further develop the skills of the employees in the factory in order to establish local production of generators.

Having 30 wind power plants in operation in Galicia totalling 580.26 MW², which is equivalent to 19.65 per cent of the accumulated installed capacity in the region as per 1 January 2008, Vestas has contributed actively to the development of the wind energy sector in this part of Spain during the last ten years. Moreover, Vestas today employs 63 technicians servicing the wind power plants in the region of Galicia.

Miguel Picardo Troyano, General Manager of Vestas Iberia, explains: *“Due to the excellent wind resources available, Galicia is a critical region in our long-term plans for the development of wind energy in Spain, and therefore, our aim is to strengthen our local presence and the level of our activities in this region.”* He emphasises: *“We are very pleased with the important commitment shown by the local Government in the development of wind energy in Galicia, and we are glad to continue to contribute to its further development going forward.”*

¹ Source: Spanish Wind Energy Association (AEE), www.aeeolica.es

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“Vestas is and has always been committed to the development of our activities in Galicia. For that reason, on 11 November 2008 we had the pleasure of announcing an investment of approx 10 million euros over the next two years to establish local production in Viveiro of one of the turbine’s most critical components,” says Søren Lomholt Husted, President of Vestas Nacelles A/S.

The celebration of the 10th anniversary of Vestas’ production facilities in Viveiro will be attended by Vestas’ customers, Vestas’ suppliers, local authorities and representatives of the Vestas Management in Spain, including Miguel Picardo Troyano, General Manager of Vestas Iberia, and Luis Bodenlle López, Vice President, Vestas Nacelles Spain.

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About Vestas

Vestas, pioneer in the development of wind turbines, is a world leader in the wind energy market with more than 23 per cent share of the market. In the first half of 2008, Vestas increased its net profit by 44 per cent, up to 98 million euros. The forecasted result for 2008 is a 25 per cent worldwide market share and a turnover of 5,700 million euros.

Vestas in Spain

Having operated in the Spanish market since the 1980’s, Vestas is the second largest supplier in the country. With a present workforce of more than 1,300 employees, by the end of 2010, Vestas expects to employ about 2,500 people in Spain.

Vestas has four production facilities in Spain:

- Nacelles assembly in Viveiro (Lugo)
- Nacelles factory in Villadangos del Páramo (León)
- Control systems factory in Ólvega (Soria)
- Blades factory in Daimiel (Ciudad Real)

Vestas’ Customer Service Centre in La Muela, Zaragoza includes a 24/7 Surveillance Centre for more than 3,800 wind turbines in the entire Mediterranean region and Latin America, as well as a training centre and a warehouse for main turbine components. Furthermore, Vestas in Spain has service and maintenance centres all over the Spanish territory.