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Vestas to supply 35 MW of turbines for heavy industry sites in Belgium

Vestas has received a 35 MW order to supply turbines to two projects being developed for corporate heavy industry in Belgium, including providing renewable power for steel production. The two projects are being developed by Storm, a Belgian wind farm developer and owner-operator, and are both located in the industrial harbour of Ghent, Belgium.

Storm is developing the 31 MW ArcelorMittal Wind Farm, which will comprise of three V162-6.0 MW EnVentus turbines, two V150-4.2 MW turbines operating at 4.3 MW power mode, and one V150-4.2 MW turbine. The three EnVentus turbines are the first to be installed in Belgium, and will be the largest turbines installed onshore in Belgium. They will be built subsidy-free on the basis of a 20-year corporate PPA with ArcelorMittal.

The ArcelorMittal Wind Farm will be powering the ArcelorMittal steel manufacturing plant in Ghent, providing the electricity for steel production. The turbines will also be equipped with Vestas' Anti-Icing System, enhancing performance by improving power production in cold climate conditions.

At a separate project, the 4.2 MW Honda Gent Wind Farm, which is also being developed by Storm, Vestas will deliver one V136-4.2 MW turbine. The power from this project will be used by Honda Motor Europe's logistics centre in Ghent.

Vestas will supply, install, and commission turbines at both sites. At both sites, Vestas will provide service through long-term 20-year Active Output Management 4000 (AOM 4000) service agreements, providing power performance certainty and Vestas' industry-leading service expertise throughout the lifetime of the projects.

"These orders from Storm are important ones for Vestas," said Nils de Baar, President of Vestas Northern and Central Europe. "As we continue to support Belgium's decarbonisation efforts in some of its hardest to abate sectors, such as green steelmaking and auto production, we're also delighted to be delivering our EnVentus platform for the first time to Belgium. These are two truly groundbreaking projects for the Ghent industrial harbour and for all of Belgium, and Vestas is proud to be a partner".

"We are proud that, together with Vestas, we are building the largest wind turbines in Belgium as well as the first subsidy free wind farm in the country," says Storm's managing director Jan Caerts. "In doing so, we will be able to provide ArcelorMittal's steel plant with cheap, clean energy for the next twenty years".

Turbine deliveries are expected to begin in the fourth quarter of 2021, while commissioning of both projects is planned for the second quarter of 2022.

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