

## Joint press release

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# EnBW acquires three onshore wind farms from Plambeck Neue Energien AG

Karlsruhe/Cuxhaven. EnBW Energie Baden-Württemberg AG has acquired three onshore wind farms in Lower Saxony and Brandenburg with a total of 26 wind turbines and a total installed output of 52 megawatts. The wind farms are being sold by Plambeck Neue Energien AG (Cuxhaven), a project development company with many years' experience in the development of wind farms, both onshore and offshore. The two companies intend to cooperate in the future. This means, for example, that the technical and commercial management activities relating to the turbines will be performed by Plambeck Neue Energien AG over the coming years. The purchase agreement with an investment volume of a high eight-digit figure is still subject to approval by the Federal Anti-Trust Office.

Buchholz wind farm (36 MW) and Schwienau II wind farm (10 MW) are located in the state of Lower Saxony, Alt Zeschdorf wind farm (6 MW) is located in the state of Brandenburg. Schwienau II was commissioned in January 2009, the turbines of Buchholz are successively being put into operation from early February. All other facilities are currently under construction. Twenty-one Vestas V90 turbines, each with an output of 2 MW, are employed, and five Vestas V80 turbines, each with an output of 2 MW. With a forecast average annual electricity production of around 112,000 megawatt hours, the wind farms will make a significant contribution to climate protection.

"The acquisition of the three wind farms, which increases our installed onshore wind capacity from the current 28 MW to 80 MW, constitutes a further important cornerstone in our strategy for growth in the field of renewable energies. As is generally known, we aim to virtually double our production quota from renewable energies to 20% by 2020. We have our sights set firmly on this objective and remain on course with our growth strategy even in these difficult times," says Dr. Hans-Josef Zimmer, EnBW's chief technical officer.

"The sale of these three wind farms to EnBW demonstrates that our wind farm projects are an attractive product for environmentally-friendly power generation. We will continue to make our contribution to rapidly expanding the role of wind power as the most viable of the renewable energies. This is the focus of our project development in Germany and similarly in the international arena, both with regard to wind farm projects onshore and offshore," explain Plambeck's CEO Martin Billhardt and Bernd Paulsen, the board member responsible for operations.

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### Company profiles:

Plambeck Neue Energien AG, registered in Cuxhaven, plans and implements wind farm projects on land (onshore) and on the high sea (offshore). Their core business activities centre on the development, project management, implementation, financing and operation of wind parks, as well as selling them while providing follow-up services. To date, the company has erected 87 wind farms involving 498 wind turbines and a total rated output of 689 MW.

In addition to its business activities on its established home market, Germany, Plambeck Neue Energien AG is increasingly expanding into dynamic growth markets. It is already represented by joint ventures in Hungary, Bulgaria, Turkey, the UK, Ireland and Romania. Wind farm projects with a rated capacity of as much as 1,400 MW are currently in planning in these countries, with implementation scheduled for the medium term. Plambeck Neue Energien AG has also founded a subsidiary in the US. The company is currently involved in wind farm projects in Germany (onshore) with more than 400 MW rated capacity.

Furthermore, Plambeck Neue Energien AG develops offshore wind farm projects; approval has already been granted for two major projects in German waters. The company is currently examining the possibility of entering promising international markets in the field of offshore technology.

Plambeck Neue Energien AG was advised by Augusta & Co, London and by Watson Farley & Williams, Hamburg.

With some six million customers, EnBW Energie Baden-Württemberg AG with headquarters in Karlsruhe is the third-largest energy company in Germany. In 2008, EnBW generated annual revenue of around € 16 billion with more than 20,000 employees. The company's core activities focus on the segments electricity, gas as well as energy and environmental services.

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