



Press Release

Turbine installation complete at London Array

13 December 2012 – London Array today (13 December 2012) announced that the 175th and last turbine at the first 630MW phase of the London Array Offshore Wind Farm has been installed, marking the end of major construction activities.

Turbine installation began in January 2012 and has been completed by MPI Discovery, A2SEA's Sea Worker and Sea Jack.

With all turbines in place and 55 connected and supplying power to the national grid, the wind farm is on track to be fully operational in Spring 2013. The wind farm has been generating energy since October 2012 when the first turbine began producing power.

The installation of the last turbine at London Array is the culmination of a huge amount of effort and coordination by everyone involved in the project. This year alone 84 foundations, 175 wind turbines, 178 array cables and three export cables have been installed at the project. London Array is now focusing on the commissioning and testing of the remaining turbines before the project is handed over to the Operations and Maintenance team in 2013.

Benj Sykes, Head of DONG Energy's UK Wind business, said, "Having the final turbine installed is another landmark in this flagship project for the UK and for DONG Energy. The London Array will soon be the largest operational offshore wind farm in the world - building offshore wind farms of this size and larger in the future allows us to harvest the advantages of scale and is an important element of our strategy to drive down the cost of energy."

Tony Cocker, Chief Executive Officer of E.ON UK, commented, “Today is another significant milestone for London Array and the UK as the installation of the final turbine brings us one step closer to the completion of the world’s largest offshore wind farm. We are proud to mark this achievement and I pay tribute to all involved in the construction to date. I look forward to seeing London Array’s contribution to the UK’s low carbon energy mix for many years to come.”

Dr. Sultan Ahmed Al Jaber, Chief Executive Officer of Masdar, said, “This milestone brings us a step closer to showcasing the economic, social and environmental benefits of clean energy. London Array is a testament to how collaboration, the right policies and a commitment to sustainability can advance the new energy industry. Masdar is a proud partner, and we look forward to the completion of the world’s largest offshore wind farm.”

London Array is being built around 20km off the coasts of Kent and Essex. The wind farm will be installed on a 245km² site and will be built in two phases. Phase One covers an area of 90km² and includes 175 turbines with a combined capacity of 630MW. If approved, the second phase will add enough capacity to bring the total to 870MW.

The project consortium partners have the following shareholdings: DONG Energy owns 50%, E.ON has 30% and Masdar has a 20% stake.

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Notes to editors:

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DONG Energy is one of the leading offshore wind farm developers in the world, with more than 20 years’ experience in the wind power industry and we have built every third wind farm in Europe. The UK is one of DONG Energy’s primary markets for developing offshore wind and so far we have invested £3 billion in UK renewables since 2005. Walney is the latest of four offshore wind farms to be commissioned by DONG Energy in the UK and we have the London Array, which will be the world’s largest offshore wind farm, Lincs and West of Duddon Sands under construction with partners. We are also constructing the Gunfleet Sands demonstration project to test the next generation of larger turbines.

E.ON is one of the world's leading power and gas companies. With annual sales of more than €82 billion and around 79,000 employees, it is one of the world's largest investor-owned power and gas companies. E.ON is active in onshore and offshore wind, concentrating solar power (CSP), solar PV and biomass and currently has over 4.2GW of renewable capacity in operation, which makes it a leading global renewable player.

E.ON is committed to being a leading player in the offshore wind industry and it already owns and operates three offshore wind farms in UK waters. The UK's first offshore wind farm near Blyth in Northumberland, Scroby Sands off the coast of Great Yarmouth and Robin Rigg in the Solway Firth. E.ON is currently carrying out detailed environmental studies on its proposed Rampion site off the Sussex Coast and has been granted planning approval to build the Humber Gateway offshore wind farm, which would be located off the Holderness Coast in the East Riding of Yorkshire.

E.ON is committed to growing its offshore wind fleet across Europe and it intends to invest €7 billion in its offshore programme over the next five years, through creating industrial-scale wind, solar and biomass power plants. www.eon.com

Masdar is Abu Dhabi's multi-faceted initiative advancing the development, commercialisation and deployment of renewable and alternative energy technologies and solutions. The company serves as a link between today's fossil fuel economy and the energy economy of the future - developing the "greenprint" for how we will live and work tomorrow. Backed by the stability and reputation of the Mubadala Development Company, an investment vehicle of the government of Abu Dhabi, Masdar is dedicated to the emirate's long-term vision for the future of energy.

Masdar entered into the London Array scheme when it purchased 40% of E.ON's half share of the London Array scheme, giving Masdar a 20% stake in the project overall. The London Array investment is part of Masdar's global alternative energy strategy which includes solar, wind and other renewable technologies. Masdar, which works with a range of innovative renewable energy companies and utilities, is continuously growing its portfolio of investments, partnerships and production capabilities in the renewable energy and clean technology sectors.

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