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Van Oord signs contract for Burbo Bank Extension offshore wind farm

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Rotterdam, the Netherlands, 24 June 2015 – Van Oord has signed a contract with DONG Energy for the installation of foundations at the Burbo Bank Extension offshore wind farm in the UK. Van Oord will install the project's 32 monopiles and transition piece foundations, supply and install the scour protection and provide the logistics between the fabrication ports in Germany, Denmark, the United Kingdom and the offshore wind farm. The installation works are planned to take place during the summer of 2016.

The Burbo Bank Extension offshore wind farm is located 8 km off the coast in Liverpool Bay, United Kingdom. With a total of 32 Vestas wind turbines of 8 MW each, the offshore wind farm will have a total capacity of 258 MW.

DONG Energy's Senior Project Director, Klaus Skoust Moller, said: 'Burbo Bank Extension is an exciting project with the potential to power over 180,000 UK homes, and it's great to sign this agreement with Van Oord for the installation of foundations. This is the last of our main contracts to be signed which reflects that the project is progressing in accordance with the plan. Offshore construction work is expected to begin in 2016, and Van Oord will play an important role in taking this forward.'

For installing foundations at the Burbo Bank Extension offshore wind farm, Van Oord will use its heavy lift vessel Svanen. The installation strategy is based on the feeder concept bringing foundation components floating to the Svanen at the installation site. This method has been optimized over recent years resulting in highly efficient installation cycles. To date, Svanen has successfully installed nearly 500 offshore wind turbine foundations.

The project fits perfectly in the strategy of Van Oord which is aimed to deliver innovative and sustainable solutions to the offshore wind industry. By optimizing logistic and installation solutions, Van Oord responds to the need for lower cost of sustainable energy and supports the further development of offshore wind energy.

About Van Oord

Van Oord is a leading international contractor specialising in dredging, marine engineering and offshore projects (oil, gas and wind). Its head office is located in Rotterdam, the Netherlands. The company's expertise ranges from design to execution and it has been involved in such noteworthy projects as Palm Jumeirah in Dubai, the port of Rotterdam's Maasvlakte 2 expansion, trench dredging and backfilling and pipe lay installation worldwide. Since 2002, Van Oord has been involved in the construction of offshore wind farms in the North Sea. The company's track record includes the Princess Amalia (Netherlands), Belwind (Belgium), Teesside (United Kingdom) and Eneco Luchterduinen (Netherlands) wind farm projects. Currently Van Oord is constructing the second Suez canal in Egypt and the Dutch Gemini wind park. Van Oord is an independent family business and employs approx. 5,000 professionals worldwide. Its modern fleet consists of more than a hundred vessels and other specialised equipment.

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Meet Van Oord at the Global Offshore Wind 2015 conference and exhibition in London, stand number 84.

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