

Gamesa, Harvest the Wind the Network Collaborate on First Distributed Wind Project

N.Y. plastics manufacturer uses Gamesa's 850 kW turbine to go carbon neutral by 2013.

Langhorne, Pa. ([PRWEB](#)) June 19, 2012 -- [Gamesa Technology Corp., Inc.](#) and its partner [Harvest the Wind Network](#) (HTWN) are jointly working on a community wind project to help [HARBEC Plastics](#), a western New York manufacturer, offset retail energy rates and zero-out carbon emissions.

This is Gamesa's first distributed wind project with Harvest the Wind. The two companies signed an agreement in March that makes Harvest the Wind a primary distributor of Gamesa's family of G5X-850 kW turbines for community and distributed wind energy projects. Harvest the Wind's regional partner, [Sustainable Energy Developments](#) (SED), designed, permitted, and will install the G58 turbine on a 55-meter tower at the Wayne Industrial Sustainability Park, where HARBEC is located. SED is a regional distributed wind pioneer and quality leader in the Northeast U.S.

HARBEC Plastics will use the Gamesa G58-850 kW turbine to supply electricity directly to its plant in Ontario, N.Y., located approximately 25 miles east of Rochester. The company, recognized as a premier "green molder" in specialized plastics production, is working to make its facility carbon neutral by 2013.

"This project highlights Gamesa's expanding leadership in the distributed and community wind market, which remains a vital and growing sector for our industry," said David Rosenberg, vice president of marketing for Gamesa North America. "Gamesa's portfolio of projects and vast development experience make a perfect match to support commercial and industrial customers that want to take advantage of wind power in their communities." said David Rosenberg, vice president of marketing for Gamesa North America.

With this new turbine, HARBEC is adding additional on-site wind power to its existing highly efficient electricity generating technology, a combined heat and power plant. Together, the systems will dramatically minimize fuel consumption and significantly reduce energy costs, making HARBEC more competitive in the global marketplace.

"HARBEC Plastics, already an environmentally responsible company, is a great example of how a local company and industrial park can benefit from distributed wind," said Haley Estes, vice president of Harvest the Wind Network. "With our first project underway, we're excited to see what we can achieve with Gamesa in helping more businesses across the U.S. adopt cleaner power."

Gamesa's G5X-850 kW platform, renowned for its outstanding reliability and excellent output, is a perfect fit for community and distributed wind energy projects, and is among one of the fastest-growing segments in the U.S. wind industry.

First installed in 2001, the turbine's performance is well tested and validated, with nearly 9,500 units installed around the world. Its flexibility for development in any environment or condition is vital to developers as community and distributed wind energy projects occupy a variety of terrains.

Construction is set to begin in September 2012, and the project is scheduled to be completed and online by the end of the year.



About Gamesa:

Gamesa Technology Corp., Inc., (www.gamesacorp.com/en/) a global leader in the design, manufacture, installation and maintenance of wind turbine generators and the development and sale of wind farms, has installed more than 24,000 MW in 35 countries on five continents. With two plants in Pennsylvania, Gamesa was the first overseas wind manufacturer to set up full production facilities in the United States. In 2011, Gamesa delivered 874 MW to 12 wind farms in the U.S. and exported another 102 MW to the first wind farm built in Honduras. That same year, Gamesa won the U.S. Export-Import Bank's "Renewable Energy Exporter of the Year" award. As part of its global Corporate University program, Gamesa jointly operates a U.S. training center with Bucks County Community College, where the company provides continuing education to existing employees and offers customers and others skills training in wind technology.

About Harvest the Wind Network:

Harvest the Wind Network (HTWN) is part of BTI Inc., a fourth generation family business in southwest Kansas. The network (www.harvestthewindnetwork.com) is comprised of 13 independent dealer groups in more than 200 locations throughout the United States and Canada who provide wind energy solutions from residential to community wind projects. The network has installed and is servicing over 125 turbines, with more than 100 projects in the pipeline. Each independent dealer group has dedicated wind specialists and technicians trained and supported by Harvest the Wind Network. Service training efforts are supported by our equipment partners in partnership with local community colleges. Each award winning HTWN dealer has been established and doing business in their local communities for an average of 50 years. The Harvest the Wind Network believes in implementing wind energy effectively throughout North America and bringing green economic benefits to local communities.

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