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CLP's Announces Its Largest Wind Power Investment In India

The CLP Group today announced that it will develop its fourth wind farm in India after entering an agreement to develop a 113.6MW wind farm in the western state of Maharashtra.

The Andhra Lake project will be the largest wind project undertaken to date by CLP. The new wind farm will increase CLP's renewable energy portfolio to over 1,000 equity MW.

CLP Wind Farms (India) Private Limited, the Group's subsidiary in India, entered an agreement with major wind turbine manufacturer Enercon (India) Limited to develop the green-field project, which will cost more than US\$160 million. Construction is planned to commence at the end of 2009 and the project is expected to be completed by end-July 2010. The wind farm will involve the building of 142 wind turbines of 800KW capacity each.

CLP's Chief Executive Officer, Andrew Brandler, said, "The Andhra Lake project reinforces CLP's commitment to growing our position as a leading Indian power producer through CLP India. The investment makes us one of the largest wind energy developers in India."

"It will also make an important contribution to the Group's renewable energy portfolio and to reaching the emission-intensity reduction target we have set for ourselves in our Climate Vision 2050."

The new wind project in Maharashtra is the fourth of what is a growing portfolio of wind energy projects for CLP India in this large emerging market. The new wind farm development has been encouraged by the positive wind power policy implemented by the State of Maharashtra, as well as by the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission ("MERC"). As part of this policy, enforced from August 2006, the MERC has set progressively-increasing Renewables Purchase Obligation ("RPO") for the Maharashtra state distribution companies. CLP looks forward to this progressive approach continuing after 31 March 2010, when the existing RPO policy expires. The project is expected to qualify as a CDM project under the Kyoto Protocol and expected revenues from sale of CERs add to the financial viability of the project. In due course, Roaring 40s, CLP's joint venture with Australia's Hydro Tasmania, may join CLP in the Andhra Lake project.

In December 2006, CLP, through Roaring 40s, entered a separate agreement with Enercon India to develop a 50.4MW wind farm project at Khandke in the state of Maharashtra. In July and December 2007, CLP also executed contracts with Enercon India to develop a 100.8MW wind farm project in Gujarat and an 82.4 MW wind project in Karnataka.

CLP India already owns and operates a modern 655MW combined cycle gas power plant in Village Paguthan in Gujarat through its subsidiary Gujarat Paguthan Energy Corporation Private Limited (GPEC). CLP India is also building a 1,320 MW domestic coal-fired power project at Jhajjar in the northern Indian state Haryana, a project it won through international competitive bidding in July 2008.

About CLP India

CLP India is one of the largest foreign investors in the Indian power sector and is responsible for developing CLP's presence in that market.

CLP is listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange and is one of the largest investor-owned power businesses in Asia. Through CLP Power Hong Kong, it operates a vertically integrated electricity supply business in Hong Kong, and provides a highly reliable supply of electricity and excellent customer services to over 5.5 million people in its supply area.

The CLP Group is a leading international private sector power company in the Asia-Pacific region with an integrated energy business in Australia and interests in OneEnergy, a 50–50 joint venture with Mitsubishi Corporation, which owns generating assets in Southeast Asia.

In line with the CLP Group's commitment to non-carbon emitting energy, it is investing in renewable energy projects outside Hong Kong, focusing on wind, small hydro and biomass, with an emphasis on India, China and Australia.

About Enercon

Enercon (India) Limited is the Indian subsidiary of Enercon GmbH, the renowned gearless turbine manufacturer and is one of the largest operators in India's growing wind energy market. The company has operational experience in all wind energy active states within India and the second largest market share in the Indian wind energy market, with specialist skills in engineering, procurement and construction of wind energy assets.

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