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BREVINI WIND SUPPLIES 1 MW GEARBOXES FOR WINWIND'S 1 MW WIND TURBINES

WINWIND AND BREVINI WIND SIGN AN IMPORTANT AGREEMENT FOR THE SUPPLY OF MAIN GEARBOXES FOR WINWIND'S 1 MW TURBINES

Winwind Ltd., a Finnish manufacturer of wind turbines with a new established manufacturing plant in India, has signed an agreement with Brevini Wind, a part of the Brevini Group, one of the world's leading gearbox manufacturers, to supply main gearboxes for Winwind's 1-MW turbines to the manufacturing and assembly plant in India.

Brevini Wind has signed a development and supply agreement with Winwind for the manufacturing of 1 MW main gearboxes at its subsidiary *Brevini Wind USA*, *Inc*, a new established factory in Yorktown, Indiana (USA). The production for this type of gearbox has started recently. Brevini Wind, which is part of Brevini Group, leader in the wind gearbox business for the last 20 years with its product range of pitch and yaw drives, began in 2007 the development of its main gearbox program. Its German subsidiary Brevini Wind Deutschland has developed in close co-operation with Winwind, from its engineering department at Bad Homburg (Germany), a new planetary main gearbox for deployment in Winwind's 1 MW turbine.

"We are very excited to start also this 1 MW project with Winwind, after the 3 MW main gearbox that we successfully developed in 2010. Both projects show very innovative solutions, and reduce significantly the size of the electrical components. The Brevini Wind 1 MW gearbox is designed for turbines where the main bearing is integrated in the gearbox, allowing a direct assembled generator and thus saving length of the frame and weight of the nacelle.

We believe that with our activity in Europe and USA we are building new bridges in the global main gearbox supply chain that will greatly benefit the entire wind industry, especially the United States Market, as these gearboxes are manufactured in our Indiana facility through our newly established U.S. supply chain", says Jacopo Tozzi, President of Brevini Wind.

The gearbox for Winwind's 1 MW turbine is the second large contract between Brevini Wind and Winwind. In close cooperation the two companies developed a very compact design that allows substantial improvements in terms of space and a lighter nacelle.

"The product offerings from Brevini offer a comprehensive one stop shop solution for the pitch and yaw drives and gearboxes for Winwind's 1MW and 3MW wind turbines, providing the global sourcing team a synergy based sourcing option", according to Farhan Mirza, Vice President and Global Head of Global Purchasing and Supply Chain Management at Winwind Ltd.

With over 80% of current wind gearboxes being manufactured outside of the U.S. market Brevini Wind believes this is the beginning of change in wind turbine supply chain trends in North America. Brevini Wind operations have significant competitive advantages in two locations, excellent design capabilities, two identical test benches of 6.4 MW, one in Brevini Wind USA and one in Germany, in house heat treatment and most updated manufacturing equipment.

Brevini Wind in brief

Brevini Wind is a part of Brevini Group; an industrial group that includes the Brevini Power Transmission (mechanical transmission) and the Brevini Fluid Power (hydraulic and oil-pressured transmissions) divisions. Brevini Wind is investing over 50 million US dollars for the new production plant in Yorktown, Indiana, enabling the manufacturing of a complete range of reliable and innovative main gearboxes for wind turbines, ranging from 0.9 MW to 3.5 MW and more. The production capacity will be more than 1000 main gearboxes per year. **www.breviniwind.com**

Brevini Group in brief

The group based in Italy is headed by Renato Brevini, who started the company in 1960 in Reggio Emilia (Italy). Today the Brevini Group ranks among the most important international players in the Power Transmission industry with Brevini Power Transmission SpA in the sector of mechanical drive technology and Brevini Fluid Power SpA for hydraulic systems, and now in the wind power sector with Brevini Wind. For 2011, the Brevini Group plans a consolidated turnover of 520 million US dollars (more than 400 million euro) with a total of 1800 employees around the world, doing business in 21 countries through its own subsidiaries and in all the other major markets of the world with its 11 product lines. **www.brevini.com**

Winwind in brief

Winwind Ltd. manufactures and supplies 1 and 3 MW wind turbines based on medium speed technology and provides after-sales operation and maintenance services for the turbines and wind parks. The company, founded in 2000, employs more than 800 people globally. In addition to Finland, Winwind turbines produce energy in Sweden, Estonia, France, Portugal, the Czech Republic and India. Winwind is headquartered in Espoo, Finland, and it has assembly factories in Finland and India. www.winwind.com

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