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Northland Power acquires majority equity stake in North Sea offshore wind farms from RWE Innogy

September 4, 2014

BACKGROUNDER AND CONFERENCE CALL DETAILS

Date: Thursday, September 4, 2014

Start Time: 11:00 a.m. EDT

Phone Number: Toll free within North America: 1-877-256-4778 or Local: 416-981-9035

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Northland Power's Offshore Wind Strategy



- Europe is a key focus for Northland
- Objective in Europe is to build a leading offshore wind platform with a full range of operating, development and investment assets
- The acquisition of the Nordsee projects contributes to the achievement of this objective
- Nordsee projects will leverage Northland's Gemini experience and could increase Northland's offshore portfolio to over 1,200 MW (net to Northland) over the next decade
- Wind development is a key feature of Germany's 'Energiewende' program:
 - Stated goal for offshore wind capacity of 6,500 MW of installed capacity by 2020 and 15 GW by 2030



Nordsee One Project Overview



• Location: 40 km off the coast of the North Sea in German territorial waters (26-29m water depth)

• Capacity: 332MW (282MW net to Northland)

• Estimated Project Costs: €1.2 billion

• Target Financial Close: First half of 2015

• **COD**: Q4-2017

• Northland interest: 85% of Nordsee projects

 Partner (15%): RWE Innogy, a global leader in renewable energy with interest in approximately 8,000MW of operating and development offshore wind assets

- Additional Development Rights: Includes rights to develop two additional projects (Nordsee 2 & 3) over the next decade totalling 670MW
- **Power Contract:** Feed-in-tariff subsidy for approximately ten years under the German Renewable Energy Act



Investment & Financial Highlights



Project Returns

- Strong project returns commensurate with Northland's investment criteria over contracted period
- Highly Accretive to Free Cash Flow/Share upon completion in 2017

Northland's Total Investment

- Currently estimated to be approximately €285 million (~CAD 420 million)
- Northland's investment funding options:
 - Cash on hand
 - Credit facilities
 - Preferred and common shares (via private placements or public markets)

Liquidity & Impact on Payout Ratio

- Expected to result in temporary but manageable elevation of Northland's payout ratio until 2017 when the Nordsee One and Gemini projects are completed
- Northland has sufficient liquidity to fund the current dividend

Project Management and Execution



Project Management & Oversight

- Northland will take a lead role during the remainder of the development period as well as during construction and operations
- Development and construction will be executed by the project company Nordsee
 One GmbH, which was formed in 2009
- Northland and RWE will provide active ongoing oversight of the project company
- Northland's Board will support the project's successful execution by expanding the special committee that was formed for Gemini to include Nordsee

Major Contracts

- Executed using five supply, installation and/or construction related contracts
- A tender process for the supply, installation and maintenance of the wind turbines is ongoing and is expected to be completed shortly
- All other major supply and construction contracts are nearing completion

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