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Bladt Industries and EEW SPC to build foundations for Veja Mate Offshore Wind Farm

As a joint venture, Bladt Industries A/S and EEW Special Pipe Constructions GmbH have been awarded a construction contract by Offshore Windforce VM V.O.F. (a joint venture consisting of Volker Stevin International GmbH and Boskalis Offshore Marine Contracting B.V) for the supply of 67 monopile foundations for the Veja Mate Offshore Wind Farm.

EEW SPC will fabricate the 67 monopiles at their facilities in Rostock, Germany. For this project, the monopiles will have a diameter of up to 7.8 meters, a length of up to 84.8 meters and have a single weight of 1,200 tonnes in average.

At Bladt Industries’ headquarters in Aalborg, Denmark, the 67 transition pieces will be fabricated with a diameter of up to 6.8 meters, an average weight of 350 tonnes and a length of approximately 22 meters. Compared to previous projects executed in Europe, the dimensions of these foundations are relatively large; however, both companies have continuously geared their facilities to accommodate the increasing size of offshore foundations.

“We are proud to be selected for this milestone project, which is among the largest offshore wind projects on the global market. We have upgraded our facilities and strengthened our organisation to be able to meet the continually increasing demands of our clients,” says Jan Kjærgaard, CEO at Bladt Industries.

The fabrication will start up this autumn and run until the second half of 2016. According to schedule, the first load out will take place by the end of second quarter of 2016.

Bladt Industries and EEW SPC – a strong cooperation

Bladt Industries and EEW SPC have worked closely together on several offshore wind projects for several years and supplement each other very well. The strength of the joint venture lies in the tremendous knowledge, experience and the long-term cooperation which the two companies just add on with each project they are involved in.

Karl Kloes-Hein emphasizes: “The clients’ benefit of this cooperation is having just one team of experts taking on the complete construction of the foundations for the project and working at a very high standard to ensure the highest quality of the final outcome.”

Together, EEW SPC and Bladt Industries have fabricated approximately 1,500 foundations and at the moment, the two companies are jointly supplying foundations for the offshore wind farms Gode Wind 1+2 as well as Sandbank.

The Veja Mate Offshore Wind Farm will have a capacity of 402 MW and will be situated nearly 129 km off the German coast in the North Sea.
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About Bladt Industries
Bladt Industries is an international steel contractor specializing in large-scale and highly complex steel structures. Bladt operates in three key areas of business providing steel solutions for the wind and renewable energy sector, for the oil and gas industry and for infrastructural projects. Additional information about Bladt is available on www.bladt.dk.

About EEW Special Pipe Constructions GmbH
EEW SPC is a German manufacturer of large pipes and tubular steel structures with a special focus on the market for offshore wind energy. The company is a subsidiary of the international EEW Group. The EEW Group is the world leading company for large SAW pipes and tubulars for Oil&Gas down-/upstream, Civil Constructions and Offshore Wind. EEW SPC represents approx. 40% of the Groups revenue. Additional information about EEW is available at www.eewspc.de.