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Maine Wind & Ocean News Wrap Up for July 2015

SunEdison Closes Deal And Begins Construction On 185 MW Wind Project In Maine

The Bingham Wind Project is set to be located in Somerset County, and upon completion is expected to be the largest of its kind in the New England area. Electricity generated by the Bingham plant is expected to be enough to power 65,000 homes in the area, and will be sold to three New England utilities - Eversource, National Grid, and Unitil - through 15-year power purchase agreements.

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EDP Renewables Sponsors Kid Days Houlton Fair



EDP Renewables partnered with MOWII July 3rd and 4th to host "The Build a Blade" workshop at the Houlton Fair. Kids were able to make up their own design for wind blades and test them. The kid designed blades were set up to spin from a fan and pull a car along a track. The faster the blade spun, the faster the car moved!

Vestas unveils 537 MW of turbine supply contracts

US renewables major SunEdison has selected Vestas' V112-3.3 MW turbine for the Bingham wind project in Somerset County, Maine. It has ordered 47 machines, which, together with components ordered from Vestas previously, will bring the wind park's total capacity to 185 MW.

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How Maine could transition to 100-percent renewable energy, according to The Hulk

In Maine, The Solutions Project estimates that the transition from any dependence on fossil fuels to a combination of wind, water and solar energies would create 30,800 nearly permanent jobs - that is, jobs that last for at least 40 years.

The organization also theorizes that Maine would decrease its energy consumption by 35.2 percent and lower average energy costs from an expected 10.24 cents per kilowatt-hour down to about 6.37 cents per kilowatt-hour from 2020-2030. The transition would also save the average Mainer \$1,900 per year in energy costs by 2050, The Solutions Project claims.

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Library hosts talk on economic benefits of offshore wind in the Gulf of Maine

The talk is another in a series sponsored by SAPL to bring attention to the opportunities posed by the development of offshore wind technology and power production for the Gulf of Maine region. Williamson's presentation reviews recent attempts to develop offshore wind energy in New England, as well as its opportunities, challenges and likely timeline for this development over the next decade. Williamson has been working as a workforce and economic development specialist in Maine since 2006.

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Maine House OKs bill giving residents of unorganized territories more say in wind projects

Residents in Maine's unorganized territories may soon have more say in the location of large wind projects following a vote in the House on Thursday. But they won't have the final say in projects in their area.

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