

Press Release

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**BLANKE MEIER EVERS Advises on Turbine Contracts
for Offshore Wind Farm Merkur Offshore**

The project company Merkur Offshore GmbH has achieved financial close for the refinancing of the 396-megawatt offshore wind farm Merkur Offshore. The wind farm will be located in the German North Sea, approximately 45 km north of the island of Borkum. It will consist of 66 turbines of the type GE Haliade 150-6MW. A total capital investment of ca. EUR 1.6 billion was raised from equity investors and bank lenders on a non-recourse project financing basis. Close to EUR 500 million in equity was provided by a consortium of five sponsors comprising of Partners Group, InfraRed Capital Partners, DEME Concessions Wind, GE Energy Financial Services and L'Agence de l'environnement et de la maîtrise de l'énergie (ADEME). The law firm BLANKE MEIER EVERS has advised the project company with respect to the drafting, negotiation and conclusion of the turbine supply agreement and the service and maintenance agreement with GE Renewable Germany GmbH.

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