

## Horizon Wind Energy Partners with Snohomish Public Utility District Companies Sign Power Purchase Agreement for Wheat Field Wind Farm

**Houston, August 28, 2008.** Horizon Wind Energy LLC (Horizon), a leading wind project developer, owner, and operator, owned by EDP Renováveis, has just entered into a long-term power purchase agreement with Snohomish County Public Utility District (Snohomish) to sell renewable wind energy from the Wheat Field Wind Farm. Horizon's Wheat Field Wind Farm, located in Gilliam County, Oregon, will have an installed capacity of 96.6 megawatts (MW) of renewable wind energy and will consist of 46 Suzlon S88 2.1 MW turbines.

"We look forward to working with Snohomish County Public Utility District, the largest public utility district in Washington State, and applaud Snohomish for taking action to supply its customers with clean, renewable wind energy," said Antonio Martins da Costa, chairman and chief executive officer of Horizon Wind Energy.

Located near the city of Arlington, Oregon, on approximately 8,300 acres of cultivated wheat fields that overlook the windswept banks of the Columbia River Gorge, the Wheat Field Wind Farm will deliver enough clean electricity to power approximately 29,000 average Washington homes annually. The Wheat Field Wind Farm offers significant economic benefits to the local community including property tax revenues. The project is currently under construction and is expected to start producing clean, renewable energy for the Snohomish customers in spring, 2009.

"We're pleased to add this renewable wind project as another clean energy source in our power mix," said Steve Klein, PUD general manager. "This reinforces our commitment to environmentally-friendly energy sources and helps fulfill requirements under Washington's renewable portfolio standard law."

### About Horizon Wind Energy

Based in Houston, Texas and with regional offices in New York, Oregon, Illinois, California, Colorado, and Minnesota, Horizon Wind Energy has developed more than 2,000 megawatts (MW) and operates over 1,500 MW of wind farms. Horizon currently has over 11,000 MW in its development pipeline. Horizon is owned by EDP Renováveis, a global leader in the renewable energy sector. Currently, EDP Renováveis is the world's fourth largest wind energy company. For more information, please visit [www.horizonwind.com](http://www.horizonwind.com).

### About Snohomish County PUD

Snohomish County PUD serves one of the fastest growing counties in the Pacific Northwest, delivering electricity to about 315,000 customers and water to nearly 20,000 customers. It's currently the second largest public utility in the Pacific

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Northwest and the 12<sup>th</sup> largest in the United States. It plans to address continued growth, first and foremost, by pursuing all cost-effective conservation and then through renewable energy sources. With a network of 5,800 miles of lines, the PUD's electric distribution system encompasses an area of 2,200 square miles. For more information, visit [www.snopud.com](http://www.snopud.com).

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