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NOBLE ENVIRONMENTAL POWER BREAKS GROUND ON NEW YORK'S NEWEST WINDPARKS

State's Largest Wind Developer Continues Growth

CHURUBUSCO, N.Y. – Noble Environmental Power, a leading wind energy developer, today announced that it will break ground this week on New York State's four newest windparks.

"We are looking forward to formally breaking ground on these projects," Noble Environmental Power CEO Walt Howard said. "Each of these windparks marks another step toward a clean energy future for New York, and each windpark will help strengthen the upstate economy by creating jobs and bringing income to the local communities."

Combined, the windparks located in Clinton, Franklin and Wyoming counties will generate 351 megawatts of clean energy using 234 General Electric 1.5 megawatt wind turbines. In addition, the projects represent a \$702 million investment in renewable energy that will provide an estimated total of \$305 million in new revenue to the local host communities over the next 20 years. The windparks will produce enough clean electricity to power more than 115,000 homes. Over a period of 20 years, it would require burning more than 7 million tons of coal – enough to fill a train 900 miles long – to create the same amount of electricity.

The four new windparks include:

- **Noble Altona Windpark** (Clinton County)
 - 65 turbines, 97.5 megawatts
 - Enough power for 32,500 homes
 - \$75 million in local economic benefits

- **Noble Chateaugay Windpark and the Noble Belmont Windpark** (Franklin County)
 - Combined, 85 turbines and 127.5 megawatts
 - Enough power for 42,500 homes
 - \$153 million in local economic benefits

- **Noble Wethersfield Windpark** (Wyoming County)
 - 84 turbines, 126 megawatts
 - Enough power for 42,000 homes
 - \$77.5 million in local economic benefits

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In addition to formally breaking ground on the windparks, the ceremonies will include other highlights. At the Altona groundbreaking, a check for \$10,000 will be given to a representative from the Northern Adirondack Central School (NACS) for the winners of Noble's 2008 Environmental Scholars awards. At the Chateaugay-Bellmont groundbreaking, Noble will present the Chateaugay Rotary with a \$5,000 donation.

In May, Noble held ribbon-cutting ceremonies for the Noble Clinton, Ellenburg, and Bliss Windparks, which together total 282 megawatts. By the end of 2008, Noble is scheduled to have a total of 633 megawatts of clean, renewable energy online in New York State, making it New York's largest wind developer. In all, these projects represent a total investment of approximately \$1.3 billion in the state's renewable energy infrastructure.

Noble is a leading renewable energy company that is majority owned by funds affiliated with JPMorgan Partners, LLC, which are managed by CCMP Capital Advisors, LLC. Noble was founded in 2004 in response to public policy initiatives designed to foster the increased use of renewable energy sources. Noble is committed to creating environmentally friendly facilities in partnership with local communities. Based in Essex, CT, Noble has offices in Altona, Churubusco, Arcade, Bliss, and Fredonia NY; Rutland, VT; Lancaster, NH; Austin and Hitchland, TX; and Ubly, MI. For more information, please visit www.noblepower.com, or send an email to info@noblepower.com.

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