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Warradarge Wind Farm powers up

Bright Energy Investments' Warradarge Wind Farm in Western Australia's Mid-West has produced its first electricity, with three of its turbines powering up to 10MW.

Over the next month, the 51-turbine wind farm will ramp up to a total generating capacity of 180MW through a staged commissioning process.

Specialist technicians are now busy running tests on each of the turbines in turn in preparation for the generation and export from the entire wind farm into the South West Interconnected System (SWIS) following commissioning.



BEI General Manager, Mr Tom Frood said he was immensely proud that first generation at the wind farm had taken place.

“This is a major milestone for Bright Energy Investments. Warradarge Wind Farm is one of the biggest renewable projects in the state and remains on track to be fully commissioned by September,” Mr Frood said.

“Despite some challenges due to the COVID -19, the construction phase of Warradarge is progressing incredibly well, which is reflective of the hard work and dedication of everyone involved in the project.”

More than 200 jobs were created during construction of the wind farm, which was completed within 12 months from first mobilisation to site.



The wind farm’s location - 15km north-east of Warradarge, 15km south-east of Eneabba and 40km south-west of Carnamah - was chosen to take advantage of abundant wind resources of the region and its proximity to the SWIS.

Each turbine weighs 181 tonnes with 67 metre-long blades, has a hub height of 84 metres and height of 151 metres to the top of the blade tip.

At full power, the Warradarge Wind Farm will generate enough renewable energy to supply the equivalent of 148,500 Western Australian homes.

Further information can be obtained by contacting BEI at info@brightenergyinvestments.com.au.

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Editors note: copies of the images are available on request.

About Bright Energy Investments

Bright Energy Investments (BEI) is focussed on the development of large-scale renewable energy projects in Western Australia. Established in April 2018, BEI is an investment vehicle established between WA electricity generator and retailer Synergy, global infrastructure investment fund DIF and industry superannuation giant Cbus, to develop up to 210MW of renewable energy projects.

The BEI portfolio currently includes the Greenough River Solar Farm in the state’s Mid-West, the Albany Grasmere Wind Farm in the Great Southern Region and the development of the 180MW Warradarge Wind Farm near Eneabba which is expected to be recognised as one of the best renewable energy projects in the country.

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