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We Energies' generating system



Blue Sky Green Field Wind Energy Center

WIND

The first large-scale wind farm constructed by We Energies.



Location:

Blue Sky Green Field is located in the towns of Calumet and Marshfield in northeastern Fond du Lac County, east of Lake Winnebago.

Type of plant:

Wind turbine

Initial cost: Approximately \$300 million

Units: 88 turbines

Year in service: 2008

Net generating capacity: 1.65 megawatts each – 145 megawatts total

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Turbine manufacturer:

Vestas Wind Systems

Turbine design:

Vestas V82 is a horizontal axis, pitch-regulated, upwind turbine.

Total weight: Tower and turbine: 204 tons

Rotor design:

Three blades constructed of a fiberglass-reinforced epoxy coating around a wood/carbon fiber frame.

Rotor diameter: 82 meters (269 feet)

Rotor speed:

14.4 rpm

Generator:

An asynchronous 6-pole, 3-phase induction generator with wound rotor and full-load reactive power compensation.

Generator nominal voltage:

600 volts, 3-phase

Integrated lightning protection:

Protection system includes lightning receptors and conductors in the rotor blades, lightning arrestors, deep earth grounding and shielding.

Control system:

A microprocessor controls all turbine functions.

Tower dimensions:

Hub height:262 feetWeight:140 tonsBase diameter:13.8 feetRated power output:1.65 MW @ 30 mph

Cut-in wind speed:

8 mph

Cut-out wind speed: 54 mph

Extreme gust wind speed:

133 mph