

Press Release

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Subject: Wind Turbines are Operational

Four of the eight wind turbines at Knabs Ridge Wind Farm, located south of the A59 Harrogate to Skipton road, are now operational.

Tim Daldry, npower renewables' project manager for the Knabs Ridge Wind Farm said,

“The first four wind turbines are now operational, following detailed commissioning work over the last few weeks to ensure that the turbines have been installed correctly and are safe to begin generating electricity.

“The remaining four wind turbines are in the final stages of manufacture and will be erected, commissioned and become operational as soon as they are delivered to site. We anticipate this happening before the end of the summer.”

The 2 megawatt (MW) turbines, which comprise a 58 metre (m) tower with a 70 m rotor diameter, are manufactured by REpower Systems based in Germany.

Not only will the wind farm supply a large number of homes with clean, sustainable electricity, but it will also make a valuable contribution towards reducing carbon dioxide emissions.

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